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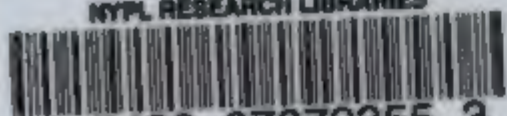
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CLERGY
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November 18, 1868.

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* The Rev. J. F. DELAPLAINE CORNELL, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. THOMAS F. CORNELL, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. SAMUEL COX, D.D., Rector of St. James' Church, Newtown, Queens County.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. W. D'ORVILLE DOTY, Rector of All Saints' Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS, Rector of St. John's Church, Islip, and officiating at St. Paul's, Patchogue, and St. Barnabas' Chapel, Sayville, Suffolk County. P. O. Sayville.

* The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, King's County.

The Rev. EDWARD F. EDWARDS, Brooklyn, King's County.

The Rev. CALEB B. ELLSWORTH, Rector of St. John's Church, Huntington, Suffolk County.

The Rev. JOSEPH J. ELSEGOOD, Rector of Trinity Church, East New York, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES H. GARDINER, Bridge-Hampton, Suffolk County.

* The Rev. WILLIAM H. DE L. GRANNIS, Rector of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, Kings County.

The Rev. PATRICK HENRY GREENLEAF, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn, King's County.

The Rev. ALVAH GUION, officiating in Brooklyn, King's County.

The Rev. WILLIAM D. HARLOW, Warden of the Church Charity Foundation, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. ROBERT W. HARRIS, D.D., Rector of St. George's Church, Astoria, Queen's County.

* The Rev. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.

The Rev. GEORGE G. HEPBURN, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Greenport, Suffolk County.

The Rev. CHARLES HIGBEE, an Assistant Minister of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES W. HOMER, Rector of St. James' Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. BENJAMIN S. HUNTINGTON, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. RICHARD G. HUTTON, Rector of Christ Church, Oyster Bay, Queens County.

The Rev. MORTIMER A. HYDE, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.

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- The Rev. WILLIAM HYDE, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- *The Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D., Rector of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- *The Rev. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queens County.
- The Rev. A. N. LITTLEJOHN, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. DE WITT C. LOOP, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, Kings County.
- The Rev. DAVID F. MACDONALD, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Sag Harbor, Suffolk County.
- *The Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Queen's County.
- *The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Greenpoint, Kings County.
- *The Rev. WILLIAM A. W. MAYBIN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.
- The Rev. AMOS D. MCCOY, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- *The Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queens County.
- The Rev. HENRY H. MORRELL, an Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM B. MUSGRAVE, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Sag Harbor, Suffolk County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Jr., Rector of St. John's Church, Long Island City, Queens County.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN B. NEWTON, Deacon, an Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. FREDERICK M. NOLL, Rector of Caroline Church, Setauket, Suffolk County.
- *The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- *The Rev. ALFRED H. PARTRIDGE, Rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.
- The Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON, Rector of Trinity Church, Rockaway, Queens County.
- The Rev. FRANCIS PECK, Rector of Calvary Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.
- The Rev. JOSEPH D. PHILIP, Deacon,† officiating in St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM M. POSTLETHWAITE, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Brooklyn, Kings County.

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The Rev. WILLIAM H. REID, an Assistant Minister of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. E. FRANKLIN REMINGTON, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. REUBEN RILEY, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Islip, Suffolk County.

* The Rev. E. HUNTINGTON SAUNDERS, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. GEORGE SAYRES, officiating at Cypress Hills Village. P. O. Jamaica.

The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D., Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. WILLIAM SCHOULER, Jr., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queens County.

The Rev. HENRY A. SPAFARD, Deacon, † Assistant Minister in St. John's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. S. STEBBINS STOCKING, Rector of Grace Church, South Oyster Bay, Queens County.

The Rev. BENJAMIN F. TAYLOR, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. GEORGE E. THRALL, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. FERRIS TRIPP, Deacon, † Assistant Minister of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. THOMAS G. VALPY, Deacon, an Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, Kings County, and Head Master of the Holy Trinity School for Boys.

* The Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, Kings County.

* The Rev. JOSEPH M. WAITE, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma, Suffolk County.

* The Rev. WILLIAM BOGERT WALKER, Deacon, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. WILLIAM T. WEBBE, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES S. WILLIAMS, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

Number of Clergymen present at this Convention..... 68

Number absent..... 1

Number on the Roll of Convention..... 69

Number not entitled to seats..... 16

Number of Clergymen belonging to the Diocese..... 85

This mark * designates the Alumni of the General Theological Seminary.

Deacons marked † have not passed the examinations required by Canon, but are admitted to the restricted Diaconate: Canon 6, § II., Title I., of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

Clerical Members of this Convention.

Present at its sittings.

The Right Rev. HORATIO POTTER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.,
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Rev. Benjamin H. Abbott,	Rev. William Hyde,
“ Richard S. Adams,	“ Edward Jessup,
“ John A. Aspinwall,	“ Daniel V. M. Johnson, D.D.,
“ James S. Barnes,	“ A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,
“ Walton W. Battershall,	“ De Witt C. Loop,
“ Henry M. Beare,	“ David F. Macdonald, D.D.,
“ Beverley R. Betts,	“ Thomas Mallaby,
“ Darius R. Brewer,	“ Francis Mansfield,
“ George F. Bugbee,	“ W. A. W. Maybin,
“ Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	“ William H. Moore,
“ Carlos E. Butler,	“ Henry H. Morrell,
“ Eli H. Canfield, D.D.,	“ William H. Neilson, Jr.,
“ William M. Carmichael, D.D.,	“ Benjamin B. Newton,
“ William S. Chadwell,	“ George W. Nichols,
“ Thomas Cook,	“ Frederick M. Noll,
“ Edmund D. Cooper,	“ John A. Paddock,
“ Thomas F. Cornell,	“ Alfred H. Partridge,
“ Samuel Cox, D.D.,	“ Robert T. Pearson,
“ Jacob W. Diller, D.D.,	“ Francis Peck,
“ W. D’Orville Doty,	“ William M. Postlethwaite,
“ Charles Douglas,	“ William H. Reid,
“ T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.,	“ Ruben Riley,
“ Caleb B. Ellsworth,	“ E. Huntington Saunders,
“ Joseph J. Elsegood,	“ N. H. Schenck, D.D.,
“ William H. De L. Grannis,	“ William Schouler, Jr.,
“ P. H. Greenleaf, D.D.,	“ J. Carpenter Smith,
“ William D. Harlow,	“ Henry A. Spafard,
“ Robert W. Harris, D.D.,	“ S. Stebbins Stocking,
“ Samuel M. Haskins, D.D.,	“ George E. Thrall,
“ George G. Hepburn,	“ Ferris Tripp,
“ Charles Higbee,	“ Thomas G. Valpy,
“ Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D.,	“ Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D.,
“ Benjamin S. Huntington,	“ William T. Webbe,
“ Richard G. Hutton,	“ Charles S. Williams.

Lay Delegates to this Convention.

The names of those who were present are printed in Roman letters, and of those absent, or not heard to answer to their names, in Italics.

KINGS COUNTY.

CHRIST,	<i>Bay Ridge,</i>	Joseph A. Perry, Benjamin C. Townsend, <i>Edward Kent.</i>
ALL SAINTS',	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	Arthur Sinclair, Edward Buckley, James Dent.
ATONEMENT,	"	Peter P. Walling, Pierre L. Pearce, Robert W. Brown,
CHRIST,	"	Charles R. Marvin, Charles Stanton, James A. Cowing.
EMMANUEL,	"	Alexander E. Orr, Robert P. Lee, Julian W. Merrill.
EVANGELISTS',	"	John Phillips, Thomas Wilde, Nevin W. Butler.
GRACE,	"	Henry E. Pierrepont, Alexander V. Blake, William C. Sheldon.
HOLY TRINITY,	"	Hosea Webster, Edward Todd, Joseph W. Greene.
MESSIAH,	"	<i>John Halsey,</i> <i>Dotius D. Ives,</i> Henry Landon.

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OUR SAVIOUR,	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	William Dunn, William S. Thompson, Nelson Stafford.
REDEEMER,	"	Ferdinand Walker, Christian W. Bouck, William A. Cook.
REFORMATION,	"	John Hawks, <i>James S. Stearns,</i> William H. Waring.
ST. ANDREW'S,	"	A. G. Williams, Charles J. Jack, M. L. Holman.
ST. ANN'S,	"	Thomas Messenger, Thomas Howe, Jesse C. Smith.
ST. JOHN'S,	"	John W. Masury, James B. Beers, Norman S. Bentley.
ST. LUKE'S,	"	John W. Hunter, William H. Fleeman, John D. Bluxome.
ST. MARK'S,	"	James Lock, John Rhodes, James M. Seabury.
ST. MARY'S,	"	Seymour L. Husted, Richard J. Cortis, William H. Pars.
ST. MATTHEW'S,	"	John M. Phelps, Bailey J. Hathaway, Enos Cooper.
ST. MICHAEL'S,	"	Charles Congdon, Theodore N. Melvin, Charles T. Middlebrook.
ST. PAUL'S,	"	Jasper W. Gilbert, Augustus E. Masters, N. Denison Morgan.
ST. PETER'S,	"	Henry G. Nichols, William Peet, John T. Walker.
ST. STEPHEN'S,	"	John B. Carruthers, Robert Hoile, Henry Whetham.

Diocese of Long Island.

CALVARY,	<i>Brooklyn, E. D.,</i>	Charles P. Woodworth, Adam Breckham, John E. Seward.
CHRIST,	“ “	Henry B. Scholes, George M. Klots, Alonzo Gaubert.
GRACE,	“ “	Charles M. Church, Horace K. Willard, James Hall.
ST. MARK'S,	“ “	Jonathan Janes, James G. Bennett, <i>David Longworth.</i>
ST. PAUL'S,	“ “	Thomas W. Groser, Gerard Willett, Alexander Gwynne.
TRINITY,	<i>East New York,</i>	Herman H. Kattenhorn, Horace A. Miller, Thomas G. Stagg.
ST. PAUL'S,	<i>Flatbush,</i>	Philip S. Crooke, Jonathan Longmire, Charles Lowrey.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Fort Hamilton,</i>	Charles E. Sears, Francis Hopkins, Richard Grant White.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Greenfield,</i>	John C. Robert, James Clark, Robert B. Van Kleeck, Jr.
ASCENSION,	<i>Greenpoint,</i>	Thomas F. Rowland, James W. Valentine, George F. Nesbitt, Jr.

QUEENS COUNTY.

REDEEMER,	<i>Astoria,</i>	William Mulligan, Edward W. Hewitt, Edward M. Hartshorne.
ST. GEORGE'S,	“	William R. Blackwell, William P. Trowbridge, Jonas Stremmell.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Cold Spring Harbor,</i>	Charles H. Jones, Charles Hewlett, John D. Jones.

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ST. GEORGE'S,	<i>Flushing,</i>	<i>Murray Hoffman,</i> Morris Franklin, John W. Lawrence.
ST. PAUL'S,	<i>Glen Cove,</i>	James B. Pearsall, Thomas T. Jackson, Eugene M. Lincoln.
ST. GEORGE'S,	<i>Hempstead,</i>	Edwin Webb, Henry Walters, Thomas H. Clowes.
GRACE,	<i>Jamaica,</i>	William J. Cogswell, John L. Denton, James J. Brenton.
ZION,	<i>Little Neck,</i>	John A. King, Benjamin P. Allen, Jeremiah J. Valentine.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Long Island City,</i>	William Nelson, Jonathan Peck, William D. Lewis.
CHRIST,	<i>Manhasset,</i>	W. Mitchell Smith, John S. Morrell, Robert Morrell.
ST. SAVIOUR'S,	<i>Maspeth,</i>	James Maurice, Edward N. Pigot, William Betts.
ST. JAMES',	<i>Newtown,</i>	John J. Moore, George F. Sherman, Benjamin W. Strong.
CHRIST,	<i>Oyster Bay,</i>	Thomas F. Youngs, John H. Adam, David J. Youngs.
ST. THOMAS',	<i>Ravenswood,</i>	John H. Williams, John Lee Smith, James L. Worth.
TRINITY,	<i>Rockaway,</i>	Joseph S. Wright, George T. Hewlett, James H. Jennings.
GRACE,	<i>South Oyster Bay,</i>	David R. Floyd Jones, William Floyd Jones, Arthur Wellwood.
GRACE,	<i>Whitestone,</i>	<i>Henry Morgan,</i> John Barrow, Peter Westervelt.

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Huntington,</i>	Edward Kissam, Isaac Adams, Hiram Paulding, Jr.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Islip,</i>	William H. Ludlow, John R. Suydam, <i>Andrew D. Foster.</i>
ST. PAUL'S,	<i>Patchogue,</i>	John Baker, <i>Oliver Rice,</i> <i>Edward Edwards.</i>
CHRIST,	<i>Sag Harbor,</i>	William Adams, Cleveland S. Stillwell, James W. Smith.
ST. JAMES',	<i>Smithtown,</i>	<i>Edmund T. Smith,</i> Daniel Y. Williamson, J. Lawrence Smith.

Proceedings of the Primary Convention.

BROOKLYN, *Wednesday, November 18, 1868.*

A NUMBER of the Clergy and Laity resident in Kings, Queens, and Suffolk Counties, Long Island, assembled for Divine Service at half-past ten o'clock in the morning, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, pursuant to the following call :

Primary Convention.

Whereas The necessary preliminary measures have been taken by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York, and by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, for the formation, on the fifteenth day of November next, of a new Diocese within the bounds of the said Diocese of New York, the said new Diocese to comprise the counties of Kings, Queens, and Suffolk, commonly known as Long Island ;

And whereas It is made my duty, by Canon of the General Convention, to call the Primary Convention of the said new Diocese, and fix the time and place of holding the same ;

Therefore, Notice is hereby given that the Primary Convention of the said new Diocese to be formed within the limits of the Diocese of New York, will be held on Wednesday, the eighteenth day of November next, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, in the city of Brooklyn and County of Kings, at half-past ten o'clock in the morning.

HORATIO POTTER,

Bishop of New York.

NEW-YORK, *October 28, 1868.*

P.S.—For the Canonical Form of Certificate of Lay Delegates, reference may be made to pages 319 and 320 of the Journal of Convention of the Diocese of New York, 1867.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. John A. Paddock, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, assisted in the Psalter

by the Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, and in the Lessons by the Rev. Reuben Riley, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Islip, and the Rev. William H. Moore, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead. The Creed, Collects, and Litany were read by the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, E.D.

The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Right Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of New York, the Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D.D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, reading the Epistle, and the Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, reading the Gospel.

The Sermon was preached by the Right Rev. the Bishop of New York. The Offertory * and the Prayer for the Church Militant were read by the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, and the Exhortation and General Confession by the Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn. The Bishop proceeded with the celebration of the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. J. W. Diller, D.D., the Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., and the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D. The Post-Communion was said by the Rev. Eli H. Canfield, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn, and the Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop.

After a short recess, the Clergy and Laity reassembled.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HASKINS, the Rev. William M. Carmichael, D.D., Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Rockaway, and Senior Presbyter present, was called to the chair *pro tempore*; and on motion of Mr. Charles R. Marvin, the Rev. Robert W. Harris, D.D., Rector of St. George's Church, Astoria, was appointed Secretary *pro tempore*.

The Notice of this Primary Convention, issued by the Right Rev. the Bishop of New York, was then read by the Secretary.

On motion of the Hon. William H. LUDLOW, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. William E. Eigenbrodt, D.D., Secretary

* The alms at the Offertory were devoted to Missions on Long Island.

of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, be invited to give his valuable aid to the Secretary in the organization, and during the session, of this Convention.

The Secretary then proceeded to call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats, from the list furnished by the Bishop of New York, when sixty-one answered to their names, and took their seats as members.*

The churches entitled to representation were then called over, and the Lay Delegates presented their certificates, which were examined by the Secretary and a Committee of two members, appointed by the Presiding Officer, viz. : the Hon. William H. Ludlow and Mr. Charles Congdon. The names of the Lay Delegates duly appointed were called, when one hundred and eighteen Delegates from fifty-three Parishes appeared and took their seats.†

A constitutional quorum being present, the Convention proceeded to elect permanent officers according to the Fifth and Sixth Articles of the Constitution.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. DROWNE, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D.D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, was elected President.

On motion of Mr. CHARLES CONGDON, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, was elected Secretary.

On motion of Mr. CONGDON, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and Mr. Alexander V. Blake was elected Treasurer of this Convention.

The following churches applied for admission into union with the Convention :

St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma, Suffolk County.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Greenport, Suffolk County.

St. James' Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The names of the Clergy who attended the Convention are prefixed to the Journal, p. 9.

† The names of the Lay Delegates present in this Convention are prefixed to the Journal, pp. 10-14.

On motion, these applications were referred to the Committee on the Incorporation and Admission of Churches.

A Minute was proposed and read by the Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, expressive of the feelings of the Clergy and Laity of this Convention on separating from their late Diocesan, the Right Rev. the Bishop of New York, and from the brethren of his jurisdiction, both Clerical and Lay, with whom they have heretofore been associated.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HARRIS, this Minute was referred to a Committee of Five, to report to-morrow.

The Chair appointed, as said Committee, the Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., the Rev. Edward Jessup, the Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, the Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., and the Hon. David R. Floyd Jones.

A similar Minute was presented by the Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE, which, at his request, was referred, without being read, to the same Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HOFFMAN, it was

Resolved, That this Diocese be, and the same is hereby placed under the full Episcopal charge and authority of the Right Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of New York, until a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for this Diocese, or until this resolution be revoked.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution, duly attested by the officers of this Convention, be delivered to the Right Rev. the Bishop of New York by a committee of three members to be appointed by the Chair.

The Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D.D., and Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont were appointed this Committee.

The Committee conducted the Right Rev. the Bishop of New York to the chair, who was cordially welcomed by the President on behalf of the House. The Bishop addressed the Convention, returning his thanks for the courtesy and affection with which he had always been welcomed in this portion of his former jurisdiction, and acceding to the request to take temporary charge of this Diocese.

The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the new Diocese, created in the present Diocese of New York, and consisting of the counties of Kings, Queens, and Suffolk, be known as the Diocese of Long Island.

On motion, it was ordered that this resolution be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. N. H. SCHENCK, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of Five, three Clergymen and two Laymen, be appointed by the Chair to report as early as possible what changes in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of New York are rendered necessary by local circumstances to meet the requirements of this Convention ; *And*, That the same Committee also report some time during this session what permanent alterations, if any, are expedient in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of New York ; in order that the same, if approved by this Convention, may be adopted finally at the next session of the Convention of this Diocese.

The President appointed as the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution and Canons, the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., the Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., the Rev. William H. Moore, the Hon. Jasper W. Gilbert, and the Hon. David R. Floyd Jones.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. WEBBE gave notice of a proposed amendment of Canon IV, Section 1, "Of the admission of a Church into Union with the Church in this Diocese," by striking out the last sentence of the first section, which reads as follows :

"And every church or congregation applying for admission shall produce satisfactory evidence that not less than twenty-five persons, members of said church, have habitually, for at least one year preceding such application, attended Divine Service in such church or congregation."

On motion, it was ordered that the proposed amendment be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN gave notice of a proposed amendment to Article VII of the Constitution, by striking out from the word "Vestry," in the fifth line, to the words, "the Delegate,"

in the eighth line; and also by striking out the word "only" in the eighth line, so that the Article shall read as follows:

In all matters which shall come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate in one body; and in voting, the clergy shall vote by individuals, and the Laity by congregations; and when more than one church or chapel shall be united under one vestry, the delegate or delegates of such vestry shall be entitled to a vote for each Church or chapel, and a majority of votes of the two orders jointly shall be decisive; but if in any case it be required by five votes, the two orders shall vote separately in the manner aforesaid, and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a decision. In the case of electing a Bishop the two orders shall always vote separately, agreeably to the mode last prescribed.

The proposed amendment was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

Mr. CHARLES CONGDON gave notice of a proposed amendment to Article I of the Constitution, relating to the time for the Annual Meeting of this Convention, by substituting "the first Wednesday in June" for "the last Wednesday in September," which was referred to the same Committee.

Mr. CONGDON also gave notice of the following proposed addition to Section I of Canon II:

A Minister is settled for all purposes, here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any parish, according to the rules of this Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

Which amendment was likewise referred.

Mr. CHARLES J. JACK gave notice of a proposed amendment of Section I of Canon IV, by striking out the words "one year" before the words "preceding such application," in the last clause thereof, and inserting, in place thereof, the words "three months," which was also referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

On motion of the Hon. WM. H. LUDLOW, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed by the President, to report Rules of Order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Long Island.

The President appointed as this Committee, the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D.D., the Hon. William H. Ludlow, and the Hon. Jasper W. Gilbert.

On motion of Mr. N. DENISON MORGAN, it was

Resolved, That no vote shall be taken by this Convention upon any resolution until the same be sent to the Chair, and read to the Convention by the President or Secretary.

On motion of the Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT, it was

Resolved, That five Clergymen and five Laymen be a Nominating Committee to report names for officers and committees for the action of this House to-morrow.

The President appointed as the Committee on Nominations, the Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D.D., the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, the Rev. Eli H. Canfield, D.D., the Rev. T. S. Drowne, D.D., Mr. William Nicoll, the Hon. William H. Ludlow, Mr. Charles R. Marvin, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, and the Hon. J. Lawrence Smith.

On motion of Mr. CHARLES CONGDON, it was unanimously

Resolved, That the members of this Convention hereby extend their grateful acknowledgments to the Right Rev. the Bishop of New York, for his presence among us on this occasion, for his assistance in Divine worship, and for his very eloquent and appropriate Sermon, delivered at the opening of this Convention, and they respectfully request a copy of the same for publication in their Journal.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to present a copy of the above resolution to the Bishop.

On motion of Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, it was

Resolved, That the meetings of this Convention be from 10 o'clock A.M. to 2 P.M. ; and from 2½ to 5 P.M.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HASKINS, it was

Resolved, That the election of a Bishop of this Diocese be made the order of the day to-morrow afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. EIGENBRODT, Secretary of the Diocese of New York, briefly returned his thanks to the House for the invitation to render his assistance at this Primary Convention.

The Convention then adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, *November 19th, Ten o'clock A.M.*

The Convention met, pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Benjamin H. Abbot, Rector of Grace Church, Whitestone, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. Thomas Cook, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Jamaica, and the Rev. George F. Bugbee, Rector of Christ Church, Manhasset. The Rev. S. S. Stocking, Rector of Grace Church, South Oyster Bay, read the Creed and Prayers.

The Right Rev. the Bishop in charge of the Diocese took the Chair.

The Minutes of the Proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The names of Clergymen and Lay Delegates, not present yesterday, were called, when several appeared and took their seats.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Haskins, the following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted :

Whereas, The Senior Presbyter of this Diocese, the Rev. William L. Johnson, D.D., is, by the providence of God, detained by sickness from attendance upon this Primary Convention on Long Island, which has been the field of his labors for nearly forty years, therefore

Resolved, That the Convention does hereby send to him greetings of love and sincere sympathy and condolence, and will offer its prayers for God's grace to give him comfort and patience under his affliction, and after this painful life ended a crown of glory for his long and faithful services in the Church Militant.

Resolved, That the prayers of the Convention be offered for him at its next Service, and that these resolutions be entered upon its Minutes.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to the Rev. Dr. Johnson.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Van Kleeck, the Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D.D., and the Rev. D. V. M. Johnson, D.D., were

* The names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates present at this Convention are prefixed to the Journal, pp. 9-14.

appointed a Special Committee to express personally to the Rev. William L. Johnson, D.D., the sympathy and regard of this Convention.

The following Standing Committees and Inspectors of Elections, appointed by the Right Rev. the President, were then announced :

On the Incorporation and Admission of Churches.

The Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D., the Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES, and the Hon. JESSE C. SMITH.

On the Diocesan Fund.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D., the Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK, Mr. AUGUSTUS E. MASTERS, Mr. CHRISTIAN W. BOUCK, and Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE.

On the Treasurer's Report.

Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED, Mr. WILLIAM NICOLL and Mr. WILLIAM C. SHELDON.

On the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., the Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, Mr. JOHN A. KING, and Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE.

On Canons.

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D., the Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON, the Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, the Hon. MURRAY HOFFMAN, and the Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.

Inspectors of Elections.

The Standing Committee : *For the Clerical Votes*—The Rev. D. V. M. JOHNSON, D.D., and Mr. FRANCIS HOPKINS. *For the Lay Votes*—The Rev. REUBEN RILEY and Mr. JAMES B. BEERS.

The Deputies to the General Convention: *For the Clerical Votes*—The Rev. THOMAS COOK and Mr. THOMAS MESSENGER. *For the Lay Votes*—The Rev. THOMAS F. CORNELL and Mr. RICHARD J. CORTIS.

The Provisional Deputies to the General Convention : *For the Clerical Votes*—The Rev. CHARLES S. WILLIAMS and Mr. FERDINAND WALKER. *For the Lay Votes*—The Rev. EDWARD JESSUP and Mr. AUGUSTUS E. MASTERS.

The Deputies to the Federate Council: *For the Clerical Votes*—The Rev. WILLIAM T. WEBBE and Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN. *For the Lay Votes*—The Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE and Mr. JOHN W. MASURY.

The Missionary Committee : *For the Clerical Votes*—The Rev. CALLEB B. ELLSWORTH and Mr. EDWARD TODD. *For the Lay Votes*—The Rev. ALFRED H. PARTRIDGE and Mr. WILLIAM H. FLEEMAN.

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund : *For the Clerical Votes*—The Rev. WILLIAM D. HARLOW and Mr. NORMAN S. BENTLEY. *For the Lay Votes*—The Rev. FRANCIS PECK and Mr. CHARLES CONGDON.

The Rev. Dr. HOFFMAN, from the Committee of Twenty on the Endowment of the Episcopate, presented the following Statement, which was read by the Secretary :

Statement of the Committee of Twenty.

The Committee of Twenty, which has been charged with the collection of an Endowment for the Episcopate of this Diocese, beg leave to present the following Statement of the manner of their appointment, and the result of their work.

Immediately after the adjournment of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, last year, at which, on the recommendation of a Committee of Fifteen, the consent of the Convention was given to the erection of the Diocese, upon the call of some members of that Committee, announced at the Convention, a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates from the parishes on Long Island assembled in one of the school rooms of St. John's Chapel, New York, to institute measures for securing the amount required by the Bishop for the endowment of the Episcopate, before giving his final assent to the erection of the new Diocese. At this meeting a committee was appointed to call a general meeting of the Clergy and Laity of the Church on Long Island, to take the whole matter into consideration, and to adopt such measures as they might deem desirable.

In pursuance of a call issued by this Committee, a meeting was held at Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, on Tuesday evening, December 10th, 1867, at which there were present Clergymen and Laymen from more than thirty of the parishes of the Island. After a very full discussion of the question, it was

Resolved,—That a Committee of Twenty—ten Clergymen and ten Laymen—be appointed to collect a sum of not less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000,) and as much more as, in the judgment of the Committee, may be deemed necessary and expedient to be raised ; said Committee to have full power to adopt such measures as may seem best to accomplish the object.

The following were appointed as this Committee :

The Rev. E. A. Hoffman, D.D.,
“ E. H. Canfield, D.D.
“ S. M. Haskins, D.D.,
“ D. V. M. Johnson, D.D.,
“ J. A. Paddock,
“ W. H. Moore,
“ J. Carpenter Smith,
“ B. R. Betts,
“ C. B. Ellsworth,
“ Charles Douglas,

Mr. A. W. Benson,*
“ Edward Todd,
“ James L. Morgan,
“ John J. Van Nostrand,*
“ W. S. Woodward,
Hon. D. R. Floyd Jones,
Mr. John W. Lawrence,
“ W. J. Cogswell,
“ William Nicoll,
Col. John H. Puleston.

At the same meeting, Messrs. Henry E. Pierrepont, Charles R. Marvin, Pitt Cooke, John D. Jones, and John Lawrence Smith were appointed a Committee to take the charge and management of all funds which might be collected for the Endowment, until this Convention should elect Trustees for the purpose. These gentlemen afterwards appointed John D. Jones, Esq., as their Treasurer.

The Committee of Twenty, thus appointed, proceeded promptly to the performance of the duty assigned to them. They have held frequent meetings during the year, issued several circulars to the parishes interested, and given their personal attention, in many instances, to securing the requisite subscriptions. After a full and careful consideration of various proposed plans, they decided that the best mode to obtain the amount required would be to divide it by a fair and equitable apportionment among all the parishes on the Island ; and the result has fully justified the wisdom of their decision. For, notwithstanding the depression which has prevailed throughout the mercantile community, fifty thousand one hundred and nine dollars and seventy-four cents have been pledged, of which the larger portion, as will appear from the Treasurer's Report, has been placed in his hands, subject to the direction of this Convention. The Committee feel, therefore, warranted in congratulating this Convention on the fact that our new Diocese begins its existence with a larger endowment than has been given to any other Diocese in the country at the date of its erection.

To meet the wishes of some parishes which were not in a position to pay their apportionment in cash, the Committee, after consultation with the gentlemen acting as temporary Trustees of the funds, prepared a form of bond, payable, “on or before the first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, with interest thereon, at and after the rate of seven per cent. per annum, from the day of the date thereof, payable half-yearly, to wit, on the first days of April

* Messrs. Benson and Van Nostrand having afterwards declined to serve, the Committee substituted Mr. Charles Congdon and Mr. Alexander E. Orr in their places.

and October, in each and every year, until the principal sum is paid," (a copy of which accompanies this statement,) and has been used by several of the churches.

A Schedule of the Assessments, exhibiting the amount apportioned to each parish, the sums already paid into the hands of the Treasurer, and the amounts pledged, but not yet paid, by various parishes, is also appended to this statement. The exhibit there made may be briefly stated as follows: Thirty-one parishes have paid the full amount of their apportionments; seven have paid it in part; ten have pledged themselves to pay their apportionments in whole or in part at an early day; five have expressed their inability, either in consequence of financial embarrassments or peculiar circumstances, to meet the call made upon them; and from six the Committee have received no reply to any of the various circulars which they have issued. The amount in hand at the present date is forty-five thousand three hundred and nine dollars and seventy-four cents (\$45,309.74,) of which fourteen thousand four hundred and sixty dollars is in the form of bonds or notes; and the amount pledged, but not yet received, is four thousand eight hundred dollars, (\$4,800,) making a total sum for the endowment, of fifty thousand one hundred and nine dollars and seventy-four cents (\$50,109.74).

In view of these facts, the Chairman of the Committee, on the first day of October last, during the session of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, presented to the Right Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., &c., Bishop of the Diocese, a letter certifying that a capital sum of more than forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000) had been pledged by the Vestries of the respective parishes in the counties of Kings, Queens, and Suffolk, and respectfully asking for his official consent to the erection of this Diocese, within the limits of his jurisdiction, and requesting that he would communicate it to the General Convention at its late session.

With this statement of their action in the premises, the Committee consider their duty ended. In order that the names of the contributing parishes, and the history of the collection of this sum may be preserved in the records of the Diocese, they beg leave to offer the following Resolution for adoption:

Resolved, That this Statement, with the Schedule annexed, be entered in full on the Journal of this Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

By order and in behalf of the Committee,

EUGENE AUG. HOFFMAN, *Chairman.*

J. H. PULESTON, *Secretary.*

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Nov. 18, 1868.

Form of Bond.

Know all Men by these Presents, That the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of *

are held and firmly bound unto Henry E. Pierrepont, Charles R. Marvin, John D. Jones, Pitt Cooke, and J. Lawrence Smith, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese to be erected on Long Island, in the State of New York, or their successors, in the sum of

dollars, lawful money of the United States, to which payment well and truly to be made, the said Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen bind themselves and their successors firmly by these Presents.

Sealed and Dated the _____ **day of** _____ **1868.**

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen, or their successors, shall well and truly pay, or cause to be paid, unto the above-named Henry E. Pierrepont, Charles R. Marvin, John D. Jones, Pitt Cooke, and J. Lawrence Smith, Trustees aforesaid, or their successors, the sum of _____ dollars, lawful money, as aforesaid, on or before the first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, with interest thereon, at and after the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the day of the date hereof, payable half-yearly, to wit, on the first days of April and October in each and every year until said principal sum is paid—then this obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

In witness whereof the said Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen, have caused their Corporate Seal to be affixed hereto, and these Presents to be signed by the Rector and Clerk of said Corporation, on the day and year first above written.

* Here insert the corporate name of the Church, and the city, or town and county where located.

SCHEDULE

OF THE

Apportionment of the Episcopal Fund, LONG ISLAND.



KING'S COUNTY.

Churches.	Places.	Apportionment	Paid.	Pledged.	Responses and Remarks.
All Saints' .	Brooklyn . . .	Collection	..	..	No reply.
Christ . . .	" . . .	4,500	4,500	..	By bond.
Emmanuel .	" . . .	1,500	..	1,500	Bond promised.
Grace . . .	Brooklyn Heights	8,000	8,000	250	
Holy Trinity	Brooklyn . . .	8,000	8,000		
Messiah . .	" . . .	2,500	..	..	No reply.
Our Saviour	" . . .	150	..	..	Not able to contribute.
Redeemer .	" . . .	1,250	..	..	Regret not able at present.
Reformation	" . . .	250	..	..	Hope to be able by and by.
St. Andrew's	" . . .	200	..	100	Promised by the Rector.
St. Ann's .	" . . .	5,000	5,000	..	By special agreement.
St. James' .	" . . .	1,500	1,500		
St. John's .	" . . .	2,000	1,000	..	Not able to do any more.
St. Luke's .	" . . .	1,500	..	1,000	Promised by the Vestry.
St. Mark's .	" . . .	300	..	300	Promised by the Rector.
St. Mary's .	" . . .	2,000	1,504 11	..	Not able to do any more.
St. Matth'w's	" . . .	150	150		
St. Michael's	" . . .	100	..	100	Promised by the Rector.
St. Paul's .	" . . .	1,500	1,500	..	By bond.
St. Peter's .	" . . .	3,000	3,000		
Evangelists.	" . . .	Collection	..	..	No reply.
Atonement.	" . . .	Collection	..	..	No reply.
Christ . . .	Brooklyn, E.D. .	2,000	..	..	No reply.
Calyary . .	" . . .	300	..	..	Will pay interest on \$300.
Grace . . .	Williamsburgh .	100	100	..	By note.
St. Mark's .	" . . .	1,000	1,000	..	Part by note for \$210.
St. Paul's .	" . . .	150	..	150	Promised.
St. Paul's .	Flatbush . . .	500	522 13		
St. John's .	Fort Hamilton. .	Collection	..	..	Not able to do so at present
Ascension .	Greenpoint . . .	300	300	..	By bond.
Trinity . . .	East New York .	150	..	150	Promised by the Rector.
Christ . . .	Bay Ridge . . .	1,000	..	..	Not able at present.
TOTAL . .		48,900	36,076 24	3,550	

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

Churches.	Places.	Appor- tionment	Paid.	Pledged.	Responses and Remarks.
St. George's	Astoria . . .	1,000	500	. .	Not able to do any more.
Redeemer .	" . . .	300	300		
St. John's .	Cold Spring Harb.	500	500		
St. George's	Flushing . . .	2,000	2,000	. .	By bond.
St. Paul's .	Glen Cove . . .	500	300	. .	Will probably pay balance.
St. George's	Hempstead . . .	650	650		
Grace . . .	Jamaica . . .	1,000	1,000		
Zion . . .	Little Neck . . .	500	500	. .	Half by note for \$250.
St. John's .	Long Island City	100	100		
Christ . . .	Manhasset . . .	600	600	. .	By note.
St. Saviour's	Maspeth . . .	200	374		
St. James' .	Newtown . . .	650	. .	650	Promised.
Christ . . .	Oyster Bay . . .	500	300	200	Will pay balance.
St. Thomas'	Ravenswood . . .	400	250	. .	Not able to do any more at [present.
Trinity . .	Rockaway . . .	300	383		
Grace . . .	South Oyster Bay.	500	500		
Grace . . .	Whitestone . . .	400	. .	400	Bond promised.
TOTAL . .		10,100	8,257	1,250	

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

Churches.	Places.	Appor- tionment	Paid.	Pledged.	Responses and Remarks.
St. Paul's .	East Hampton .				No reply.
St. John's .	Huntington . .	200	213 50		
St. John's .	Islip	100	100		
St. Mark's .	"	250	250		
St. Paul's .	Patchogue. . .	25	25		
Christ . . .	Sag Harbor . .	75	. .	. .
St. Barnabas'	} Sayville. . .	. .	10	
Chapel. .					
Caroline . .	Setauket . . .	75	103		
St. James' .	Smithtown . .	125	125		
St. Mary's .	Ronkonkoma .	100	100		
St. Andrew's	Yaphank . . .	50	50		
TOTAL . .		1,000	976 50		

TOTALS.				Appor- tionment.	Paid.	Pledged.
KING'S COUNTY				48,900	36,076 24	3,550
QUEEN'S "				10,100	8,257 00	1,250
SUFFOLK "				1,000	976 50	
TOTAL				\$60,000	45,309 74	4,800

Total Endowment secured \$50,109.74.

Treasurer's Statement.

I have received contributions to the Episcopal Fund for the Diocese of Kings, Queens, and Suffolk Counties :

Cash, \$30,099 74; Notes, \$310 00; Bonds, \$14,900 00.—Together, \$45,309 74

From the following Churches, viz. :

1868.					
Feb. 4	St. Johns'	Islip	Cash.	\$100	00
April 28	St. Saviour's	Maspeth	Do.	310	00
June 1	St. George's	Hempstead	Do.	550	00
" 22	Caroline	Setauket	Do.	75	00
" 24	Church of the Redeemer	Astoria	Do.	300	00
July 8	St. George's	Hempstead	Do.	100	00
" 9	Grace	Jamaica	Do.	1,000	00
" 13	St. Paul's	Patchogue	Do.	25	00
" "	St. John's	Long Island City	Do.	100	00
" 22	Trinity	Rockaway	Do.	383	00
" 24	St. John's	Huntington	Do.	200	00
" 28	St. Mary's	Brooklyn	Do.	1,150	00
Aug. 18	St. James'	Do.	Do.	1,500	00
Sept. 8	Zion	Little Neck	Do.	250	00
" 19	St. Paul's	Glen Cove	Do.	300	00
" 21	St. John's	Cold Spring Harbor	Do.	500	00
" "	Grace	South Oyster Bay	Do.	500	00
" 28	Holy Trinity	Brooklyn	Do.	500	00
" "	St. Matthew's	Do.	Do.	150	00
" "	St. Andrew's	Yaphank	Do.	50	00
" 30	St. Paul's	Flatbush	Do.	500	00
Oct. 1	St. Peter's	Brooklyn	Do.	3,000	00
" "	St. Mark's	Islip	Do.	250	00
" 6	St. Mary's	Brooklyn	Do.	354	11
" 9	St. Mark's	Do., E. D.	Do.	790	00
" 15	St. John's	Brooklyn	Do.	1,000	00
" 27	Christ's	Oyster Bay	{ 250 }	300	00
" 28			{ 50 }		
Nov. 16	St. Saviour's	Maspeth	Cash.	64	00
" "	Grace	Brooklyn Heights	Do.	8,000	00
" "	St. Mary's	Ronkonkoma	Do.	100	00
" "	St. James'	Smithtown	Do.	125	00
" 17	Caroline	Setauket	Do.	28	00
" "	Holy Trinity	Brooklyn	Do.	7,500	00
" "	St. John's	Huntington	Do.	13	50
" "	St. Barnabas' Chapel	Sayville	Do.	10	00
" "	St. Paul's	Flatbush	Do.	22	13
Oct. 5	St. Mark's	Brooklyn, E. D.	Note.	210	00
" "	Grace	" "	Do.	100	00
" "	Christ	Manhasset	Bond.	600	00
" "	Zion	Little Neck	Do.	250	00
Nov. 4	St. George's	Astoria	Do.	500	00
" 5	St. Paul's	Brooklyn	Do.	1,500	00
" 9	Christ	Do.	Do.	4,500	00
" "	Ascension	Greenpoint	Do.	300	00
" "	St. George's	Flushing	Do.	2,000	00
" "	St. Thomas'	Ravenswood	Do.	250	00
" "	St. Ann's	Brooklyn	Do.	5,000	00
				\$45,309 74	

November 19, 1868.

J. D. JONES, Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. JOHN A. KING, the Resolution recommended by the Committee on the Endowment of the Episcopate was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution and Canons, presented and read their Report, as follows :

Report

ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom were referred sundry amendments to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of New York, to which this Diocese, by law of the General Convention of the Church, is still subject, respectfully report :

They unanimously recommend the following Resolution :

Resolved, That, with the consent of the Bishop of New York, this Diocese, consisting of the counties of Kings, Queens, and Suffolk, in the State of New York, be named the "Diocese of Long Island."

The Committee consider it inexpedient to report any change of the Constitution and Canons to have immediate effect, except where the pressure of local circumstances, contemplated by Article V. of the Constitution adopted in General Convention, exists. They believe that no injustice will be done, and no special hardship will be felt, if only those Clergy and churches, or chapels, shall be heard in this Convention which had canonical right to a voice when the Diocese was erected. The Convention should follow out the expectation founded upon precedent, and agreeable to the conservative principle of Church organization which was rightly entertained by the Convention of New York and the General Convention, as well as by Churchmen in this Diocese, while the separation from the mother Diocese was in contemplation, and when the Resolutions to perfect it were passed. Changes in the fundamental laws of the Church to provide for individual or exceptional cases, and especially when the great matters waiting on the decision of a Primary Convention are to be settled, are dangerous as precedents, and likely to work evil.

In answer to two of the amendments referred to them, the Committee recommend a modification in Section 1 of Canon IV. While they are not prepared to strike out altogether the clause requiring evidence that a number of persons for some period of time preceding the application have habitually attended Divine Service in the church asking admission to the Convention, they think one year too long for that period. They recall, also, the fact that the next Convention held

under the Constitution will be on the last Wednesday of September, 1869, less than a year from the present time. Parishes lately incorporated, or—in that increase of the Church for which we hope—soon to be organized, would thus wait at the door without admission till 1870.

The Committee propose the following Resolution :

Resolved, That Section 1 of Canon IV. be amended, in the next to the last line, by striking out the words “one year” and inserting the words “six months,” so that the close of the section shall read, “have habitually, for at least six months preceding such application, attended Divine Service in such church or congregation.” This amendment shall take effect at the close of the Primary Convention.

The Committee approve of the addition to Section 1 of Canon II. in the amendment referred to them as follows: “A minister is settled for all purposes, here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any parish, according to the rules of this Diocese, or for any term not less than a year,” but recommend that it be referred to the consideration and action of the next Convention.

The Committee, after considering the proposed amendment of Article I. of the Constitution, fixing the time of meeting of the Annual Convention on the first Wednesday of June, judge that much inconvenience will attend the assembling of this body at that season of the year and hospitality to its members, and that a late day in Autumn is preferable.

They accordingly recommend the following Resolution :

Resolved, That this Convention approves of such change in Article I. of the Constitution, that in place of the words “last Wednesday in September” shall be substituted the words “third Wednesday in November,” and that this resolution lie over for the approval of the next Convention.

The Committee are of opinion that a large part of Article VII. of the Constitution is wholly inapplicable to this Diocese, and that the date, 1859, in the body of the Article, excludes us from the benefit of some of its provisions. They doubt the expediency of treating it as under the excluding clause in Article V. of the Constitution adopted in General Convention, and recommend the following Resolution :

Resolved, That this Convention approve of an alteration in Article VII. of the Constitution, by striking out all after the words in the second line, “in one body,” to, and including the words “shall be decisive,” in the tenth line, and by such other verbal amendment, so that the Article shall read :

“In all matters which shall come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate, and, except as hereinafter provided, shall vote in one body; but if, in any case, it be required by five votes, the two Orders shall vote separately, the Clergy by individuals, and the Laity by congregations, and the concurrence of a majority of each Order shall be necessary to constitute a decision. In the case of electing a Bishop, the two Orders shall always vote separately, agreeably to the mode herein prescribed.”

The Committee are required, by the Resolution under which they are appointed, to report what changes in the Constitution and Canons are rendered necessary by local circumstances, and also what permanent alterations are expedient. A part of this requisition is satisfied by the Report thus far. For the rest, they respectfully report that no farther changes will be requisite in the Constitution, the alteration of the title being a matter simply of form, and not requiring the action of the Convention.

In the Canons there is much surplusage, arising from their adoption at different periods, and their frequent amendments, which ought not to be continued in the laws of this new Diocese. Needful alterations in this respect may be made, after recommendation by the Committee on Constitution and Canons at the next Convention.

The Committee report that the Clause in Article V. of the Constitution adopted in General Convention, "except as local circumstances may prevent," excludes from any binding force upon this Diocese, Section X. of Canon II., all parts of Canon XIII. which refer to Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York, and to the two parts of that Fund (the disposable and the accumulating), all parts of Canon XV. except such as apply to Diocesan missions, and the whole of Canons XVIII. and XX., which are but the repeal of former Canons. The name of this Diocese is to be substituted for that of New York in the Canons. Whenever reference is made to the Canons of the General Convention, it is to be made to correspond with the titles in the Digest. The Committee submit a copy of the Canons with proper erasures of these parts. They recommend an adoption of this portion of their Report by the Convention, and that authority be given to the Secretary in recording the Canons, to omit these erased parts, and to alter the numbering of the Canons and their Sections as may be necessary.

The Committee recommend that the following Resolution, or an equivalent to it, demanded by Canon XV., be adopted by the Convention :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate, elected at the present Convention, be requested to ask of the Legislature of the State of New York a proper Act of Incorporation (unless they are able to incorporate themselves under the General Act, and think that expedient), so that they may legally hold and improve the Episcopal Fund.

The Committee believe the duty laid on them by the Convention fulfilled, after the recommendation of the following Resolutions, in order that any alterations which may be expedient and have been overlooked, may come canonically before the next Convention, and that a new draft of the whole law of the Church in this Diocese may be prepared and adopted :

Resolved, That this Convention approve such an alteration in Article VIII. of the

Constitution, that it shall read "The Constitution may be altered by the Annual Convention of the Diocese, if a majority of the two Orders, voting separately, adopt such alteration, after one day's previous notice, and after it has been referred to the Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons, or reported by them," and that this Resolution lie over for the approval of the next Convention.

Resolved, That a Committee on Constitution and Canons, consisting of not less than three Clergymen and two laymen, be appointed, with authority to sit during the recess of the Convention, and that this Committee be directed to report on the first day of the next Convention, in print if they deem expedient, a new draft of the Constitution and Canons for the government of this Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. BURGESS,
W. H. MOORE,
N. H. SCHENCK,
D. R. FLOYD JONES,
J. W. GILBERT.

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On motion of the Rev. Dr. GREENLEAF, it was

Ordered, That the Resolutions recommended by the Committee be considered separately :

Whereupon, on motion, the first Resolution, relating to the name of this Diocese, was adopted.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT, as Bishop of New York, gave his official consent to the name resolved upon, and announced that this Diocese is henceforth to be called THE DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

The Rev. Mr. WEBBE moved to amend the second Resolution proposed by the Committee, by striking out the words "at the close of the Primary Convention," and inserting "immediately," which amendment was lost.

A vote by Orders having been called for on the adoption of this second Resolution, the following named Clergymen voted *Aye* :

Messrs. Abbott, Aspinwall, Barnes, Battershall, Beare, Brewer, Bugbee, Dr. Burgess, Mr. Butler, Drs. Canfield, Carmichael, Messrs. Chadwell, Cook, Cornell, Drs. Cox, Diller, Messrs. Doty, Douglas, Dr. Drowne, Messrs. Elsegood, Grannis, Dr. Greenleaf, Mr. Harlow, Drs. Harris, Haskins, Messrs. Hepburn, Higbee, Dr. Hoffman, Mr. Jessup, Dra. Johnson, Littlejohn, Mr. Loop, Dr. MacDonald, Messrs. Mansfield, Maybin, Moore, Morrell, Neilson, Newton, Paddock, Pearson, Postlethwaite, Reid, Riley, Dr. Schenck, Messrs. Schouler, Smith, Spafard, Stocking, Tripp, Valpy, Dr. Van Kleeck, Messrs. Webbe, Williams.—54.

The following named Clergymen voted *No* :

Messrs. Betts, Cooper, Ellsworth, Hutton, Noll.—5.

The following named Parishes voted *Aye* :

All Saints', Christ, Grace, Holy Trinity, Messiah, Redeemer, Reformation, St. Andrew's, St. John's, St. Mary's, St. Matthew's, St. Michael's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, St. Stephen's, Brooklyn ; Calvary, Christ, St. Mark's, St. Paul's, Brooklyn, E.D. ; Trinity, East New York ; St. Paul's, Flatbush ; St. John's, Fort Hamilton ; St. John's, Greenfield ; Christ, Bay Ridge ; St. George's, Astoria ; St. John's, Cold Spring Harbor ; St. Paul's, Glen Cove ; St. George's, Hempstead ; Grace, Jamaica ; Zion, Little Neck ; St. John's, Long Island City ; Christ, Manhasset ; St. James', Newtown ; St. Thomas', Ravenswood ; Trinity, Rockaway ; Grace, South Oyster Bay ; Grace, Whitestone ; St. John's, Islip ; St. Paul's, Patchogue ; Christ, Sag Harbor.—40.

The following named Parishes voted *No* :

St. Luke's, Brooklyn ; Redeemer, Astoria ; St. John's, Huntington.—3.

So the Resolution was passed by the concurrent vote of both Orders.

On motion, the proposed addition to Section I of Canon II., and the recommendation to refer the matter for consideration and action to the next Convention, were approved.

On motion, the third Resolution recommended by the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, proposing an alteration of Art. I. of the Constitution, relating to the time for the meeting of the Annual Convention, was approved.

On motion, the fourth Resolution, proposing an amendment of Art. VII. of the Constitution, was adopted.

On motion, the additional alterations, recommended in the Canons, rendered necessary by local circumstances, and specified in an amended copy of the Canons of the Diocese of New York, submitted by the Committee with their Report, were approved.

The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW moved to amend the fifth Resolution presented by the Committee, so as to read as follows :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund take such measures as may be necessary to secure their Incorporation.

The Resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion, the sixth Resolution, providing for the appointment of a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to sit

during the recess of the Convention, and report on the first day of the next Convention, was adopted.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT appointed the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., the Rev. Robert W. Harris, D.D., the Rev. Edward Jessup, the Hon. David R. Floyd Jones, and the Hon. Murray Hoffman, this Committee.

The Report of the Committee on the Incorporation and Admission of Churches was presented and read by the Hon. JESSE C. SMITH, as follows :

Report **OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INCORPORATION AND** **ADMISSION OF CHURCHES.**

The Committee to whom were referred the applications for admission into union with the Church in this Diocese, of

St. Mary's Church, at Lake Ronkonkoma, in the town of Brookhaven, county of Suffolk :

The rector, churchwardens, and vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity, in the village of Greenport, town of Southhold, county of Suffolk ; and of

The rector, churchwardens, and vestrymen of St. James' Church, in the Seventh Ward of the City of Brooklyn,

Respectfully report :

That the Certificate of the Incorporation of the first-named church is irregular, as it is only signed by one person ; while the Act for incorporating churches requires it to be signed and sealed by three persons ; and the church is not duly incorporated.

The church, second named, has not, in any respect, complied with the requirements of the fourth Canon as amended in November, 1867 ; and neither the first nor the second of these churches has any seal.

And the second and third of the above-named churches have not produced satisfactory evidence that not less than twenty-five persons, members of said churches, have habitually, for at least one year preceding such application, attended Divine Service in such churches. And all three of the applications are defective in this : that their several applications have not been transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention at least thirty days before the meeting of the Convention.

The Committee, therefore, are constrained to report against the admission of either of the said churches.

D. V. M. JOHNSON,
D. R. FLOYD JONES,
J. C. SMITH.

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On motion of Mr. WM. PEET, it was

Ordered, That the papers of these churches be referred back to the applicants for remedy.

The Committee on Nominations presented the following Report, which was read by the Secretary:

Report

OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

The Committee appointed to report names for Officers and Committees for the action of this House, respectfully submit the following nominations :

FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

Clergy.—The Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D., the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D. D., the Rev. Eli H. Canfield, D.D.

Laity.—Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, Mr. Charles R. Marvin, the Hon. Jasper W. Gilbert, the Hon. D. R. Floyd Jones.

FOR DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Clergy. — The Rev. N. H. Schenck, D.D., the Rev. William H. Moore, the Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., the Rev. Thomas Mallaby.

Laity.—The Hon. William H. Ludlow, the Hon. John W. Hunter, the Hon. Jesse C. Smith, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont.

FOR PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES.

Clergy.—The Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., the Rev. John A. Paddock, the Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D.D., the Rev. Robert T. Pearson.

Laity. — The Hon. D. R. Floyd Jones, Mr. Henry Hagner, the Hon. Nathan B. Morse, Mr. Henry P. Morgan.

FOR DEPUTIES TO THE FEDERATE COUNCIL.

Clergy. — The Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., the Rev. Eli H. Canfield, D. D., the Rev. N. H. Schenck, D.D., the Rev. William H. Moore, the Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., the Rev. Thomas Mallaby.

Laity. — Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, Mr. Charles R. Marvin, the Hon. Jasper W. Gilbert, the Hon. D. R. Floyd Jones, the Hon. William H. Ludlow, the Hon. John W. Hunter, the Hon. Jesse C. Smith, Mr. William Peet.

FOR THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Clergy.—The Rev. D. V. M. Johnson, D.D., the Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D.D., the Rev. John A. Paddock and the Rev. Caleb B. Ellsworth.

Laity.—The Hon. William H. Ludlow, Mr. Henry A. Bogert, Mr. Joseph W. Greene, Mr. John Halsey, Mr. William C. Sheldon.

FOR TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, Mr. Chas. R. Marvin, Mr. John D. Jones, Mr. Pitt Cooke, the Hon. J. Lawrence Smith.

By order of the Committee,

November 19th, 1868.

J. W. DILLER, *Chairman*,
T. S. DROWNE, *Secretary*.

The Rev. EDWARD JESSUP offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the elections recommended by the Committee on Nominations be made the business of the Convention, after the election of a Bishop.

The question was taken, and a division being called for, the vote was *Ayes* 57, *Nays* 39; so the Resolution was adopted.

The Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE offered the following Preamble and Resolution:

Whereas, at the Meeting of the Clergy and Laity, Members of the Protestant Episcopal Church on Long Island, held in Grace Church, December 11th, 1867, to devise measures to secure the amount of money required for the endowment of an Episcopate on this Island, a Committee appointed by that meeting, did, in their Report, declare against the suggestion that the Bishop of this Diocese should be the Rector of a Parish;

And Whereas, their sentiments were endorsed by said Meeting by the adoption of that Report;

And whereas, the Funds for the endowment of said Episcopate have been solicited and raised on the express understanding that these sentiments would be maintained;

Therefore, to the end that all uncertainty may be avoided, it is hereby

Resolved, That this Convention does resolve and declare that it will not consent that its Bishop shall hold the position of a Rector of a Parish.

The Rev. S. S. STOCKING offered the following amendment:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Episcopal Fund take such measures to increase the endowment as shall enable the Bishop to live without being dependent on any Parish.

The Hon. WM. H. LUDLOW offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Resolved, That this Convention do pledge to the Bishop the annual salary of six thousand dollars.

The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK moved, as a substitute, that the whole subject be referred to a Special Committee of Seven on the Support of the Episcopate.

The motion was adopted, and the Right Rev. the PRESIDENT appointed the following Committee:

The Rev. John A. Paddock, the Rev. William H. Moore, the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D. D., the Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, D. D., the Hon. William H. Ludlow, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, and Mr. Edward Todd.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by this Convention to confer with a similar Committee of the Diocese of New York upon the interests of the two Dioceses; and that the said Committee shall also ascertain what interest this Diocese may have in the funds of the late undivided Diocese of New York.

The Rev. N. H. Schenck, D. D., the Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D. D., the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D. D., the Rev. Thomas Mallaby, Mr. Charles R. Marvin, the Hon. John W. Hunter, and Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, were appointed this Committee.

The Hon. WM. H. LUDLOW, from the Committee on the Rules of Order, presented their Report, recommending the following amendments to the Rules of Order of the Diocese of New York, and their adoption, as so amended, as the Rules of Order of the Diocese of Long Island:

Report

OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I.

Section 6, Division 1.—After the words "On the Incorporation," add "and Admission"; and after "Laymen," add "reports from which

Committee may be in order at any time during the session of the Convention."

Section 7. — After the words, "General Convention," add "the Deputies to the Federate Council."

Section 9 to be stricken out.

RULE II.

Section 4 to be stricken out.

Section 8. — After the words, "General Convention," add "the Deputies to the Federate Council."

Section 12 to be stricken out.

RULE VIII.

Strike out "9 a.m. to 3 p.m.," and insert "10 a.m. to 2½ p.m., and from 3 to 5 p.m."

RULE XIV.

Add "A motion to fix the hour or day to which the Convention shall adjourn, takes precedence of a motion to adjourn, and shall be decided without debate."

NEW RULE.

After Rule XXIV., insert as Rule XXV.: "All questions relating to priority of business shall be decided without debate."

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. HASKINS,
WM. H. LUDLOW,
J. W. GILBERT.

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On motion of the Hon. J. W. GILBERT, it was

Resolved, That the Rules of Order, as amended, be adopted as the Rules of Order of the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. LITTLEJOHN, it was

Resolved, That this Convention commend the Church Charity Foundation to the liberality of the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese, and recommend that a collection be made in all the churches in its behalf on Quinquagesima or the following Sunday in each year.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT then requested the Rev. Dr. DILLER to take the chair.

The Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, from the Special Committee to

* The Rules of Order are printed in Appendix I.

whom was referred the Minute of the Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, presented and read the Minute as follows :

Minute.

WE, the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church on Long Island, now assembled in Primary Convention, for the purpose of organizing a new Diocese, desire, among our first acts, to put on record an expression of our filial veneration and fraternal love towards those Christian fathers and brethren from whom, by the division of the late Diocese of New York, we are henceforth to be separated.

We recall, with devout feelings of gratitude to ALMIGHTY GOD, the great increase of prosperity which has made the division, now so happily accomplished, a thing to be desired for the promotion of the future interests of the several parts affected by the separation.

But while we have consented to this change, in the conviction that it will promote the glory of GOD and the welfare of CHRIST'S Holy Church, there are yet involved in it features which we are unable to view without profound emotion.

Foremost among the causes which move us to sadness and regret, is the knowledge of the great loss to which we are called to submit in foregoing the wise and loving supervision of the honored Bishop of New York. The pain with which we regard the sundering of the bond which formerly united us to the ecclesiastical family of that Right Reverend Father, is equalled only by the fervency with which we pray that the Divine Blessing may be abundantly vouchsafed to him, in the prolonging of his valuable life, in the preservation of his health, and in the enhancement of his happiness and comfort during his remaining time on earth. Remembering his untiring fidelity to the welfare of Christ's flock committed to his care ; his unselfish and exhausting labors in the discharge of the duties of his high office ; and especially the elevation of his godly example—we sorrow most of all that, as our Bishop, we shall see his face no more.

Nor can we be unmoved at the thought of taking leave of those beloved and honored brethren, both of the Clergy and Laity, with whom, united by the ties of a common Diocesan life, it has been our privilege to take sweet counsel, and to walk in the House of God as friends.

From the cradle of our Diocesan independence we send them an affectionate greeting, as to friends well-beloved in the Lord. For the prosperity of the parent Diocese we pledge our continued prayers. Claiming an equal share in the glory of her past history, we will rejoice in her future welfare. For our brethren and companions' sakes, we will wish her prosperity : because of the House of the Lord our God, we will seek her good.

Resolved, That the foregoing Minute be adopted by a standing vote — that it be entered on the Journal of this Convention, and that the Secretary be requested to transmit copies thereof to the Right Reverend Bishop of New York, and the Reverend Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, with a request that it be communicated to that body at its next session.

R. B. VAN KLECK,
EDWARD JESSUP,
J. CARPENTER SMITH,
N. H. SCHENCK,
D. R. FLOYD JONES.

November 19th, 1868.

The Resolution appended to the Minute was adopted unanimously by a standing vote.

On motion of Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on the Support of the Bishop report immediately after the recess.

The Convention then took a recess until 2½ o'clock, P.M.

THURSDAY, *November 19th, half-past 2 o'clock P.M.*

The Convention re-assembled.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT took the chair.

The Report of the Committee on the Support of the Episcopate was presented and read by the Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK, as follows:

Report

ON THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

The Committee on the Support of the Episcopate recommend the passage of the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That the Salary of the Bishop shall be Six Thousand Dollars.

Resolved, That, in fixing this amount, it is the understanding of the Convention that the Bishop is not to be the Rector of any Parish.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Seven be appointed to make an equitable apportionment on the several Parishes of this Diocese, of a sum which, in addition to the income of the Episcopal Fund, will be sufficient to meet the amount pledged by this Convention for the Support of the Episcopate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. PADDOCK, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Resolutions recommended by the Committee were adopted.

The following Committee was appointed on the Salary of the Bishop: The Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., the Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, D. D., the Rev. William H. Moore, Mr. Alexander V. Blake, Mr. William B. Leonard, Mr. Henry P. Morgan, and Mr. Lewis Morris.

The Convention then proceeded to the order of the day, which was the election of a Bishop for the Diocese.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT called upon the members to unite with him in Devotional Exercises, suitable to the occasion. A Hymn was sung, appropriate Collects and Prayers were said from the Liturgy, and silence was kept for secret prayer.

The House being informed that the Right Rev. ROBERT H. CLARKSON, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Nebraska and Dakota, was present, he was, on motion, invited to occupy a seat near the Chair, and was received by the Convention rising.

The PRESIDENT appointed the following Tellers, to receive and canvass votes for Bishop: the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, and Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, for the Clergy, and the Rev. S. STEBBINS STOCKING and Mr. EDWARD TODD, for the Laity.

The names of the Clergy were called by the Secretary, and of the Churches by the Rev. WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT, D. D. ; when the Clergy and Lay Delegates came forward and deposited their ballots, and the Tellers retired to count the votes.

The result of the first ballot, as presented in the reports of the Tellers, was as follows :

FIRST BALLOT.

VOTE OF THE CLERGY.

Whole number of votes, 67 ; Necessary to a choice, 34.

For the Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,	30
“ Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.,	23
“ Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D. D.,	7
“ Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	2
“ Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, D.D.,	2
“ Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D.D.,	1
“ Rev. Henry E. Montgomery, D.D.,	1
“ Rev. Henry M. Beare,	1

VOTE OF THE LAITY.

• *Whole number of votes, 54; Necessary to a choice, 28.*

For the	Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	25
"	Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	16
"	Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	5
"	Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	3
"	Rev. John A. Paddock,	.	.	.	.	1
"	Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D. D.,	.	.	.	.	1
"	Rev. William H. Moore,	.	.	.	.	1
"	Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking,	.	.	.	.	1
"	Rev. Jacob. W. Diller, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	1

There being no choice by either Order, the Convention proceeded to a second ballot, the result of which was reported by the Tellers to be as follows :

SECOND BALLOT.

VOTE OF THE CLERGY.

Whole number of votes, 67; Necessary to a choice, 34.

For the	Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	33
"	Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	23
"	Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	5
"	Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	4
"	Rev. James A. Bolles, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	1
"	Rev. William H. Moore,	.	.	.	.	1

VOTE OF THE LAITY.

Whole number of votes, 55; Necessary to a choice, 28.

For the	Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	30
"	Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	17
"	Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	4
"	Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	2
"	Rev. John A. Paddock,	.	.	.	.	1
"	Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.,	.	.	.	.	1

There not being a concurrence of a majority of each Order, there was no election; and the Convention proceeded to a third ballot.

On motion of the Hon. WM. H. LUDLOW, it was

Resolved, That the Rule of Order, as to the time of adjournment, be suspended.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, it was

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it shall adjourn to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock.

The result of the third ballot for a Bishop, as reported by the Tellers, was as follows :

THIRD BALLOT.

VOTE OF THE CLERGY.

Whole number of votes, 67; Necessary to a choice, 34.

For the Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,	34
“ Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.,	23
“ Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D.,	4
“ Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	4
“ Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, D.D.,	1
“ Rev. David F. MacDonald, D.D.,	1

VOTE OF THE LAITY.

Whole number of votes, 54; Necessary to a choice, 28.

For the Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D.,	34
“ Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D.,	16
“ Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D.,	3
“ Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	1

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT announced that the Rev. Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D. D., had been chosen Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island, by the concurrent vote of the Clergy and Laity.

On motion of Mr. N. DENISON MORGAN, it was

Resolved, That the Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D. D., be, and he is hereby, declared by this Convention duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island.

At the suggestion of the PRESIDENT, the Convention then united in singing *Gloria in Excelsis*.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of Two Clergymen and Two Laymen be appointed to inform the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn of his election, and to request the favor of his presence at the closing services of this Convention.

The PRESIDENT appointed as said Committee : The Rev.

Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Hon. William H. Ludlow, and the Hon. David R. Floyd Jones.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HOFFMAN, it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare the Canonical Certificate in behalf of the Bishop-elect of this Diocese, and that the same be signed by the Members of this House in the usual order.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be requested to take the necessary measures to obtain the Consecration of the Rev. Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Long Island.

The Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D. D., and Mr. Charles Congdon were appointed the Committee to prepare the Canonical Certificate of the Bishop-elect.

On motion, the House then took a recess until 7½ o'clock, P.M.

THURSDAY EVENING, *Nov. 19th, Half-past Seven o' Clock.*

The Convention re-assembled, the Right Rev. the BISHOP—IN-CHARGE presiding.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HOFFMAN, it was

Resolved, That the Rectors of the various Parishes of the Diocese be directed to collect, as soon as possible, their quota for the Diocesan Fund (being one and one-half per cent on the salaries of the Rectors), and transmit the same to the Treasurer of the Convention.

The Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee and of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese, of Deputies and Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, of Deputies to the Federate Council, and of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

The Report of the Committee on Nominations was ordered to be again read by the Secretary.

The names of the Clergy were called by the Secretary, and of the Churches by the Rev. Dr. Eigenbrodt; and the members having deposited their ballots, the Tellers retired to count the votes.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. PADDOCK, it was

Resolved, That there be paid from the Diocesan Fund to the Clergy attending the Convention, who may reside more than twenty miles from the place of meeting, seven cents per mile for every mile of the distance from their respective parishes.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, it was

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed for the use of the same, under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HOFFMAN, it was

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the Sermon delivered by the Right Rev. the Bishop-in-charge, at the opening of this Convention, be printed separately from the Journal, for the use of the members.

The Committee appointed to wait on the Rev. Dr. LITTLEJOHN, Bishop-elect of the Diocese, reported through the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, that they had discharged their duty; and that he had begged them to express his sincere thanks to the Convention for the high honor conferred on him, and to say that he would be present, as requested, at the close of the services.

The Inspectors of the Votes for the Standing Committee of the Diocese presented their Reports :

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

The Standing Committee of the Diocese.

CLERGY :

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D.,
The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.,
The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.,
The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK.

LAITY :

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
The Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT,
Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN,
The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

The Inspectors of the Votes for the Missionary Committee presented their Reports :

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

The Missionary Committee.**CLERGY :**

The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK,
 The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH,
 The Rev. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D.,
 The Rev. CALEB B. ELLSWORTH,
 The Rev. D. V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.

LAITY :

Mr. JOSEPH W. GREENE,
 . Mr. JOHN HALSEY,
 Mr. WILLIAM C. SHELDON,
 Mr. HENRY A. BOGERT,
 The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW.

The Inspectors of the Votes for Deputies to the General Convention presented their Reports :

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

Deputies to the General Convention.**CLERGY :**

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.

LAITY :

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
 The Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER,
 The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW,
 The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

The Inspectors of the Votes for Provisional Deputies to the General Convention presented their Reports ;

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

Provisional Deputies to the General Convention.**CLERGY :**

The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK,
 The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.,
 The Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON.

LAITY :

Mr. HENRY P. MORGAN,
The Hon. NATHAN B. MORSE,
Mr. HENRY HAGNER.

There being no election of three other Clerical Deputies to the General Convention, and of one other Clerical and one Lay Provisional Deputy, on motion it was

Resolved, That this Convention go into another ballot to fill these vacancies.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, it was

Resolved, That the Churches of the Diocese be requested to make the usual Canonical Collection on Thanksgiving Day, or the Sunday succeeding that day, for the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, and transmit the same to the Treasurer of that Fund in the Diocese of New York.

Ordered, That a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent by the Secretary to each clergyman holding a Parochial Charge, as early as possible.

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED :

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars (in addition to the six thousand dollars voted for the Bishop's salary), be voted to him for his residence.

On motion of the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, the following was adopted as a substitute:

Whereas, It becomes necessary to provide an Episcopal Residence, therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee of Fifteen, five Clergymen and ten Laymen, be appointed by the Chair, whose duty it shall be to provide, at the earliest period possible, the ways and means of raising an amount sufficient for securing such residence.

The PRESIDENT appointed the following Committee on the Episcopal Residence :

The Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D. D., the Rev. N. H. Schenck, D. D., the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D. D., the Rev. John A. Paddock, the Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, Mr. Seymour L. Husted, Mr. William J. Cogswell, Mr. Charles R. Marvin, Mr. Thomas Messenger, Mr. Hosea Webster, Mr. Edward Todd, Mr.

Henry E. Pierrepont, Mr. John D. Jones, Mr. John W. Lawrence, and Mr. William Nicoll.

The Inspectors of the Votes for Deputies to the Federate Council presented their Reports:

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

Deputies to the Federate Council.

CLERGY:

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D.,
 The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.,
 The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.,
 The Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.,
 The Rev. THOMAS MALLABY,
 The Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE,
 The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.

LAITY:

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
 The Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT,
 Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN,
 The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES,
 The Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER,
 The Hon. JESSE C. SMITH,
 The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW,
 Mr. WILLIAM PEET.

There being no election of one other Clerical Deputy to the Federate Council, on motion of the Rev. Mr. PADDOCK, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and

THE REV. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D.,

was duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, a Deputy to the Federate Council.

The Inspectors of the Votes for Trustees of the Episcopal Fund presented their Reports:

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT,

Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN,

Mr. JOHN D. JONES,

Mr. PITT COOKE,

The Hon. J. LAWRENCE SMITH.

On motion of the Rev. S. S. STOCKING, it was

Resolved, That this Convention reconsider the vote ordering another ballot for the election of three Clerical Deputies, and of one Clerical and one Lay Provisional Deputy to the General Convention.

Resolved, That the election of the said Deputies to the General Convention be postponed until the next Convention of this Diocese.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Testimonial for the Consecration of the Bishop-elect be now signed by the Clergy and Laity of this Convention.

The Canonical Form was then read by the Secretary.

The names of the Clergy and of the Lay Delegates were called, and a constitutional majority affixed their names as follows :

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the
Holy Ghost. Amen.

WE, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify, that the

REVEREND ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,
is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life, and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally, declare that we do, in our conscience, believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of CHRIST.

Dated this Nineteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

CLERGY :

BENJAMIN H. ABBOTT, Rector of Grace Church, Whitestone.

JAMES S. BARNES, Assistant Minister of St. Peter's, Brooklyn.

HENRY M. BEARE, Rector of Zion Church, Little Neck.

W. W. BATTERSHALL, Rector of St. Thomas', Ravenswood.

ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D., Rector of St. John's, Brooklyn.

WILLIAM M. CARMICHAEL, D. D., Assistant Minister of Trinity Church
Rockaway.

THOMAS COOK, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Jamaica.

EDMUND D. COOPER, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Astoria.

ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's, Flatbush.

T. F. CORNELL, Rector of St. Mark's, Brooklyn.

JOSEPH J. ELSEGOOD, Rector of Trinity Church, East New York.

W. H. DE L. GRANNIS, Rector of St. John's, Fort Hamilton.

W. D. HARLOW, Warden of the Church Charity Foundation, Brooklyn.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's, Brooklyn.

S. M. HASKINS, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's, Brooklyn, E.D.

GEORGE G. HEPBURN, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity,
Greenport.

E. A. HOFFMAN, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights.

R. G. HUTTON, Rector of Christ Church, Oyster Bay.

EDWARD JESSUP, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn.

DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D., Rector of St. Mary's, Brooklyn.

DE WITT C. LOOP, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Brooklyn
Heights.

DAVID F. MACDONALD, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Sag Harbor.

THOMAS MALLABY, Rector of St. Paul's, Glen Cove.

H. H. MORRELL, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Brooklyn.

WM. H. NEILSON, JR., Rector of St. John's, Long Island City.

B. B. NEWTON, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity,
Brooklyn.

J. A. PADDOCK, Rector of St. Peter's, Brooklyn.

A. H. PARTRIDGE, Rector of Christ Church, North Brooklyn.

FRANCIS PECK, Rector of Calvary Church, Brooklyn, E.D.

ROBERT T. PEARSON, Rector of Trinity Church, Rockaway.

C. B. ELLSWORTH, Rector of St. John's, Huntington.

REUBEN RILEY, Rector of St. Mark's, Islip.

WM. SCHOULER, JR., Rector of St. Stephen's, Brooklyn.

S. S. STOCKING, Rector of Grace Church, South Oyster Bay.

J. CARPENTER SMITH, Rector of St. George's, Flushing.

HENRY A. SPAFARD, Assistant Minister in St. John's, Brooklyn.

FERRIS TRIFF, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn.

THOS. G. VALPY, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

W. T. WEBBE, Rector of St. Michael's, Brooklyn.

CHARLES S. WILLIAMS, Rector of St. Matthew's, Brooklyn.

GEORGE W. NICHOLS, Assistant Minister of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn.

BEVERLEY R. BETTS, Rector of St. Saviour's, Maspeth, and Librarian of Columbia College, New York.

CHARLES DOUGLAS, Rector of St. John's, Islip.

FREDERICK M. NOLL, Rector of Caroline Church, Setauket.

PATRICK HENRY GREENLEAF, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn.

ELI H. CANFIELD, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn.

J. W. DILLER, D.D., Rector of St. Luke's, Brooklyn.

WILLIAM D. POSTLETHWAITE, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Brooklyn.

E. HUNTINGTON SAUNDERS, Assistant Minister of St. Mary's, Brooklyn.

BENJ. S. HUNTINGTON, Rector of the Church of the Evangelists, Brooklyn.

WM. A. W. MAYBIN, Rector of St. Paul's, Brooklyn, E.D.

ROBERT WM. HARRIS, D.D., Rector of St. George's, Astoria.

WILLIAM S. CHADWELL, Rector of Grace Church, Brooklyn, E.D.

WM. D'ORVILLE DOTY, Rector of the Church of All Saint's, Brooklyn.

FRANCIS MANSFIELD, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Greenpoint.

SAMUEL COX, D.D., Rector of St. James', Newtown.

GEORGE F. BUGBEE, Rector of Christ Church, Manhasset.

WILLIAM H. MOORE, Rector of St. George's, Hempstead.

RICHARD S. ADAMS, Rector of St. Andrew's, Brooklyn.

CHARLES HIGBEE, Assistant Minister of St. Ann's, Brooklyn.

LAITY :

CHARLES R. MARVIN, JAMES A. COWING, Delegates of Christ Church, Brooklyn.

A. E. ORR, J. W. MERRILL, Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn.

HENRY E. PIERREPONT, ALEX. V. BLAKE, Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights.

HOSEA WEBSTER, J. W. GREENE, EDWARD TODD, Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

FERDINAND WALKER, CHRISTIAN W. BOUCK, W. A. COOK, Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn.

JAS. B. BEERS, NORMAN S. BENTLEY, St. John's, Brooklyn.

SEYMOUR L. HUSTED, St. Mary's, Brooklyn.

JONATHAN JANES, JAMES G. BENNETT, St. Mark's, Brooklyn, E.D.

FRANCIS HOPKINS, CHARLES E. SEARS, St. John's, Fort Hamilton.

- CHARLES CONGDON, THEO. NOBLE MELVIN, St. Michael's, Brooklyn.
GEO. F. NESBITT, JR., Church of the Ascension, Greenpoint.
PIERRE L. PEARCE, Church of the Atonement, Brooklyn.
E. W. HEWITT, WM. MULLIGAN, E. M. HARTSHORNE, Church of the Redeemer, Astoria.
EDWARD KISSAM, ISAAC ADAMS, H. PAULDING, JR., St. John's, Huntington.
JOHN BARROW, Grace Church, Whitestone.
D. R. FLOYD JONES, Grace Church, South Oyster Bay.
B. J. HATHAWAY, St. Matthew's, Brooklyn.
JOHN W. HUNTER, W. H. FLEEMAN, JOHN D. BLUXOME, St. Luke's, Brooklyn.
THOS. MESSENGER, St. Ann's, Brooklyn.
AUG. E. MASTERS, J. W. GILBERT, N. D. MORGAN, St. Paul's, Brooklyn.
HENRY G. NICHOLS, JOHN T. WALKER, WM. PEET, St. Peter's, Brooklyn.
THOS. M. GROSER, St. Paul's, Brooklyn, E.D.
JONATHAN LONGMIRE, CHARLES LOWREY, PHILIP S. CROOKE, St. Paul's, Flatbush.
R. B. VAN KLEECK, JR., JOHN C. ROBERT, St. John's, Greenfield.
JOHN A. KING, Zion Church, Little Neck.
JOHN L. DENTON, Grace Church, Jamaica.
WM. H. LUDLOW, St. John's, Islip.
T. T. JACKSON, St. Paul's, Glen Cove.
EDW. N. PIGOT, St. Saviour's, Maspeth.
JOHN BAKER, St. Paul's, Patchogue.
JOHN H. WILLIAMS, St. Thomas', Ravenswood.
H. B. SCHOLES, GEO. M. KLOTS, ALONZO GAUBERT, Christ Church, Brooklyn, E.D.
JOHN PHILLIPS, THOS. WILDE, NEVIN W. BUTLER, Church of the Evangelists, Brooklyn.
WILLIAM R. BLACKWELL, WILLIAM P. TROWBRIDGE, JONAS STREMMELL, St. George's, Astoria.
CHARLES M. CHURCH, HORACE K. WILLARD, JAMES HALL, Grace Church, Brooklyn, E.D.
ARTHUR SINCLAIR, EDWARD BUCKLEY, JAMES DENT, Church of All Saints', Brooklyn.
EDWIN WEBB, HENRY WALTERS, THOMAS H. CLOWES, St. George's, Hempstead.
JOHN B. CARRUTHERS, ROBERT HOILE, HENRY WHETHAM, St. Stephen's, Brooklyn.
WILLIAM ADAMS, CLEVELAND S. STILLWELL, JAMES W. SMITH, Christ Church, Sag Harbor.
WILLIAM NELSON, JONATHAN PECK, WILLIAM D. LEWIS, St. John's, Long Island City.

RAY HOFFMAN, MORRIS FRANKLIN, JOHN W. LAWRENCE, St. George's, Flushing.

LESLIE H. JONES, CHARLES HEWLETT, JOHN D. JONES, St. John's, Cold Spring Harbor.

LESLIE H. KATTENHORN, HORACE A. MILLER, THOMAS G. STAGG, Trinity Church, East New York.

WILLIAM F. YOUNGS, JOHN H. ADAM, DAVID J. YOUNGS, Christ Church, Oyster Bay.

WILLIAM S. WRIGHT, GEORGE T. HEWLETT, JAMES H. JENNINGS, Trinity Church, Rockaway.

JOHN LOCK, St. Mark's, Brooklyn.

JOHN THOMPSON, WILLIAM DUNNE, N. STAFFORD, Church of Our Saviour, Brooklyn.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Testimonial of the Bishop-elect be entered in upon the Minutes.

On motion of the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, it was

Resolved, That the members of this Convention do cordially tender to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity, thanks for the use of their church by the Convention, and for the generous hospitality extended to them during its session.

On motion of the Rev. T. F. CORNELL, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the Rev. the Bishop of New York, for his efficiency, kindness, and impartiality, in presiding over the deliberations of this House.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. HUNTER, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are eminently due, and are hereby tendered, to the Rev. Dr. Eigenbrodt for his services in the organization and work of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HASKINS, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be given to the Rev. Dr. Drowne, for the courteous and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HOFFMAN, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, the reception of the Bishop-elect, and the usual devotions, this Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes of this day's Proceedings were read and approved.

The Right Rev. the BISHOP-IN-CHARGE addressed the Hou

The Committee appointed to wait on the Bishop-elect conducted him to the Chair, when he was introduced by the Right Rev. the PRESIDENT, and addressed the Convention as follows

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity of the Convention :—I am with you this evening in compliance with your request. The position which your suffrages have placed me this day, fills me with profound emotion, and my decision will of necessity be embarrassed by complications which the will of Divine Providence has chosen at this time to throw around me. I am, indeed, most grateful to you for this remarkable expression of your trust and esteem; and if, after mature and prayerful consideration, it shall appear to be my duty to accept the Bishopric of Long Island, to which you have elected me, it will be my endeavor, with God's help, to prove not unworthy of your confidence and your hope. Meanwhile, what else can I say except this—Brethren, in the Lord, let your prayers be offered, that He Who did teach the hearts of His faithful people by sending to them the light of His Holy Spirit, may grant me, His unworthy servant, by the same Spirit, to have a right judgment in this most solemn and momentous emergency!

Gloria in Excelsis was sung by the members. Appropriate Collects and Prayers were said by the Rev. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D. The Blessing was pronounced by the Right Rev. the PRESIDENT:

And the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HORATIO POTTER, D. D., LL.D., D. C. I.
Bishop-in-Charge of the Diocese of Long Island,
and President of the Primary Convention.

Attest:

T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.,
Secretary.



SERMON

DELIVERED AT THE OPENING OF THE

PRIMARY CONVENTION

IN THE

Church of the Holy Trinity,

BROOKLYN, N.Y.,

November 18th, 1868,

BY THE

RT. REV. HORATIO POTTER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.,

BISHOP OF NEW YORK.



Sermon.

“Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is
JESUS CHRIST.”—1 Cor. iii. 11.

WHEN we lay the corner-stone of an edifice to be devoted to the worship and service of **ALMIGHTY GOD**, we do it solemnly, “In the Name of the **FATHER**, and of the **SON**, and of the **HOLY GHOST**!” thus making at once our profession of Faith, and our appeal for Divine protection and blessing to the Triune **GOD**,—the ever-blessed and adorable **TRINITY**. And then, immediately upon that act, standing over that new-laid corner-stone, in the free open air of heaven, we proclaim to all the world the one sole Foundation, on which we propose to erect, not only that sacred edifice, to be composed of earthly materials, but all our works of piety and charity, all our endeavours for personal sanctification and holiness—the whole superstructure of means and agencies for promoting the greater glory of **GOD**, in the extension of His kingdom and the salvation of His redeemed, immortal creatures—“Other Foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is **JESUS CHRIST**!”

And on this most interesting day, the dawning of a new era for you, my dear brethren, when we begin to put together the frame-work and to erect the superstructure of a new diocese, we say over all the words of faith, devotion, earnest prayer: “In the Name of the **FATHER**, and of the **SON**, and of the **HOLY GHOST**,” and we proclaim to all who have ears to hear, the one only Rock on which we mean to build, whether in the work of our personal salvation, or in the work of this now-to-be-organized diocese, this definite

and independent portion of our branch of the One Holy Catholic Church: "Other Foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is JESUS CHRIST."

We utterly disown every hope for our own souls, every hope for the Church of God, which does not come from our dear, all-merciful adorable Lord! To His precious Death and glorious Resurrection we cling for life. His one full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world we plead for pardon and cleansing from sin. To His heavenly grace—the grace which He purchased for us, and which He sends forth to us in the gift of the HOLY GHOST,—to the grace which flows forth from His divine Person into all His members—the members of His mystical Body—we look for spiritual regeneration, renewal, sanctification, for spiritual life, light, strength, comfort, peace, joy. We do most gratefully and adoringly acknowledge that from His gracious influences "proceed" "all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works." Our nature, made in the image of God, but mightily defaced and changed, retained only just enough of its original excellence to be capable of a new creation, capable of receiving a heavenly gift. And now, behold, all things are made new in CHRIST JESUS. If we have any hope that works of ours are acceptable in His sight, it is because we humbly trust that they are prompted by His SPIRIT and bedewed with His most precious Blood. Have we a most comfortable assurance that our prayers in private and our worship in the Holy Place are not in vain? It is because we know that there is One Who helpeth our infirmities, enabling us to worship in spirit and in truth, and that there is an all-pitying Mediator and Intercessor, Who, with prevailing pleas and merits, bears our supplications and praises to the Mercy Seat! What is there to prevent even the read and preached Word of God from falling dead upon our stony, human hearts? What but the enlightening and sanctifying Spirit of grace which may accompany that Word, making it sweeter than honey, more refreshing than heavenly manna in the wilder-

ess, or else quick and powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and laying open to the light "the thoughts and intents of the heart."

It is of the infinite mercy of GOD in CHRIST JESUS that even the motions of our outward life are hallowed and made efficacious; that, for us, things common and earthly are changed into things supernatural and divine; that outward and visible instrumentalities, used in faith and love, are means whereby we reach Heavenly blessings. These solemn assemblies in the Holy Place—the waters of Baptism to which we bring our little children—the laying-on of hands or the sealing-gift of the Spirit—the oft-repeated ceremony of the Eucharistic Feast—the benediction that hallows the nuptial union—the final office that remits the mortal remains of the faithful departed to the glories of the resurrection morning—Oh, they are not empty ceremonies; they are not heathenish rites; they are not impotent trifling, without GOD and without hope, leaving the soul uncheered, unprovided for death, judgment, eternity! Oh, no, thanks be to GOD! His unspeakable goodness He hath graciously instituted and ordained all these outward and visible things for our use in faith to the health of our souls. He hath cleansed and allowed them; He hath superadded to them His effectual blessing; He hath made them channels of His grace. In condescension to our weakness and misery, they are given us to be helps to devotion, aids to faith, means through which divine gifts may be imparted to us, and by which we may receive them—most comfortable, visible pledges, when rightly used, that our dear LORD and SAVIOUR unites Himself to us, and that our Heavenly Father accepts and blesses us in Him.

We do indeed, my brethren, as taught and commanded by our blessed LORD, hold to the outward and visible, as well as the inward and spiritual. Let other men speculate and systematize as they will; let them, in proud self-confidence, build up their vaunted systems out of only one part of the

truth of God ; but we hold to our adorable Head, and accept the whole truth, in all its divine mysterious fulness just as He delivers it to us—just as it was once for all delivered to the primitive saints, and by them authenticated and handed down to us. Our salvation is all of Grace, a free, unmerited gift, the purchase of the passion and death of our Saviour CHRIST ; but it comes to us on conditions—conditions essential to the regeneration and sanctification of our souls : first, faith in that Saviour as our Prophet, Priest, and King ; and second, sacramental union with Him in and through His mystical Body, the Church. He commands the good news of salvation to be proclaimed in all the world, with the gracious promise, “He that believeth, and is baptized, shall be saved” ; and His great apostle, in his very first sermon, exhorts those whom he hath brought to believe in CHRIST, and who, stung with a sense of guilt, are crying out to the Apostles, “Men and brethren, what shall we do!”—he exhorts them, “Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of JESUS CHRIST, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the HOLY GHOST.” Such was the spirit of the Apostles and first preachers of the Gospel. No undervaluing of the outward and visible things of CHRIST’S institution ; no keeping of them out of sight ; but, on the contrary, as in the case of these three thousand brought into the Church in one day—as in the case of the jailer of Philippi—as in the case of the Ethiopian Eunuch—they hurried men, so soon as they became earnest believers, into the ark of CHRIST’S Church, through the door of Baptism, and their children with them.

In other words, Christianity is not a mere sentiment ; it is not a mere doctrine, opinion, or feeling. It is a divine institution, duly organized ; its faith, its ministry, its sacraments all alike unchangeable, and all alike derived from its Divine Author and Head. It is a holy society, a spiritual body, the very mystical Body of CHRIST, filled with His Presence and grace—a living body, of which, if it be accessible to us, we must become members, and in and through which we must

find nourishment for our spiritual life, and work out our salvation. Fallen man is too weak and dependent to live alone. Without society, his intellectual and moral nature deteriorates and runs to waste. And much more is it impossible for him, without society, to rise above evil, to erect himself above himself, and to grow to perfection as a spiritual being, having a soul to be sanctified and saved for ever. It is only as he is surrounded and buoyed up, and kept steady to the truth by a body having a fixed, unchangeable creed, that he is secured from those vagaries of thought that take possession of the solitary mind, and hurry it into fatal error. It is only amid the supports and safeguards of a holy society that the individual soul can be kept so imbued with the faith, and so fastened to it, as never even to think of changing it. It is only in such a society that the evil in man's nature can be repressed, and the good effectually excited, exercised, nourished, strengthened, perfected.

It is, then, in condescension to the weakness of our mortal nature—it is to meet the necessities of our spiritual life—it is that there may be a visible Power in the world, unitedly working for its salvation, that ALMIGHTY GOD hath been pleased to set up His Church on earth, that our adorable REDEEMER hath filled it with His spiritual life and grace, hath garnered up in it His means and pledges of salvation, hath required us to become members of it, to dwell in it in a living spirit of faith and devotion, and hath promised to abide with us in it to the end of the world. We hold that the faithful use of these visible means and pledges of salvation, as ordained of CHRIST, in loving communion and fellowship with His visible Church, where they may be had, are vital, indispensable, in order that the benefits of CHRIST's death may be applied to our souls; but we hold with equal intensity of grateful, loving conviction, that all grace, all mercy, every spiritual gift, whether coming directly from on high, or in conjunction with the use of visible means, is from CHRIST, is the pur-

chase of His meritorious work. Our whole spiritual life, and the Church of God, in which we have it sustained, are built up from CHRIST, as the one Foundation: "Other Foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is JESUS CHRIST."

It may be thought that we consume too much time, and use too many words, in reiterating and emphasizing truths familiarly known and universally acknowledged. But the circumstances of the time are peculiar and extraordinary. A new diocese has just sprung into existence, and is now about to be organized and to commence its work—to take its bent and its tone for perhaps ages to come! We address a body of Clergy and laity who have long been part of our spiritual charge, who may yet be said to belong to it, but who are passing away from us to take form and shape in another hour as a separate spiritual household. At such a moment we cannot but speak most affectionately in a most paternal spirit, and we are bound, in all conscience, to speak plainly and pointedly; and in so doing we wish to exclude the possibility of any mistake as to our feeling about the sacred fundamental truths just stated, which we hold as we hold our life. We desire to declare to you all our mind, so far as we may do it in the very brief space of time to which we are limited.

And we wish to speak of others as little as possible: our business is with ourselves. What, then, are we as a religious body? Are we merely a casual, imperfect, ecclesiastical fragment, thrown violently off from some great primal body amid the revolutions of ages, having no organic connection with the past, and within ourselves no unquestionable powers for legitimate reproduction, control, development? In plain terms, are we the offspring of time and chance, as men speak, new-born three hundred years ago, amid the convulsions of the Reformation period, with a new ministry, not after the primitive pattern, and not connected by unbroken succession with CHRIST and His Apostles, and with only such narrow and partial system

of belief as may be generated out of men's partial one-sided minds, when they set themselves to interpret Holy Scripture purely in the light of their own private judgment, without consulting the witness of the primitive, undivided Church? Are we only such a body? or are we a pure branch of the One Holy Catholic Church, with an unbroken existence from the day of Pentecost, with a duly constituted valid ministry, handed down from CHRIST through an uninterrupted succession, and holding all the great fundamentals of the Faith, not as matters of opinion, but as matters of fact, resting upon the plain letter of Holy Scripture, and the unanimous judgment of the whole company of primitive saints and confessors?

To ask these questions is to answer them. If we know anything of our own spiritual Household, as we ought to know, we know that it is not the work of men's hands—that it is not a product, late in the Christian ages, of new-formed judgments—not a product of casual associations of men placed in narrow circumstances, and swayed, for the time, by narrow passions.

When the English Reformers found themselves impelled to deliver their branch of the Church from its thralldom to a foreign usurping power, and to free it from the dust and rubbish of the Middle Ages, they did not revolutionize, as was done on the Continent, but they reformed the Church, and, without breaking the integrity or the continuity of the ministry, without touching one single vital element that could plead Catholicity or universality, they simply cast off the superstitions and cumbrous ceremonies of those unhappy previous centuries, and restored the Church, in all essentials, to a strict conformity to the primitive Church. Nor did they attempt this in the light of their own unaided judgment; but they took the Holy Scriptures in one hand, and the witness of the primitive Church in the other, and so, by God's help, made all things pure, and established them upon the "foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, JESUS CHRIST Himself being the

Chief Corner-stone.” Their Church, and ours after it, was Protestant, as witnessing against the corruptions in doctrine and practice of the Church of Rome, and Catholic, as retaining all the vital elements of the Primitive Church—all those elements, which were intended to be, and have been, perpetual in that Church in all ages, as they shall be to the end of the world.

Such is our branch of the Church. It is a pure branch of the One Holy Catholic Church—its Ministry, its Faith, its Sacraments, its credentials, derived uninterruptedly from CHRIST, and having for its seal the witness of the whole Primitive Church for three hundred years! Of this branch of the Church your diocese is to form a part. And now, my brethren, I come in all seriousness to ask a question, the answer to which very much concerns you. How may you best promote the growth, the unity, the prosperity of your diocese? What kind of teaching will make the ministry of the Clergy most effectual for the permanent good of the people? How shall the laity of this Diocese become so rooted and grounded in the Faith, that they shall not be liable to be blown about by every wind of doctrine? How shall they be so stablished, strengthened, settled in their attachment to the Truth, as held in this Church, that their continuance in the Church shall not depend upon any mere accident, such as the attractiveness of the present Pastor, or liking or disliking for some phase in the ongoings of the Church, here or there, to-day or to-morrow? How shall the Church in your Diocese do its part toward meeting a craving which is every day growing more restless and more intense in the world?—a craving for broad, genial, satisfying, well-authenticated, well-settled truth—a craving for a broad and solid foundation for belief—a craving for deliverance from shifting and conflicting opinions, from the grotesque and impotent exhibitions so often obtruded upon the public by heterogeneous assemblages of professed seekers after Truth—crude, self-confident thinkers, who are forever learning and never coming to the

nowledge of the Truth? How shall your Church be made appear to the multitude of weary, tempest-tossed wanderers, as the very Ark of the LORD, in which peaceful, heavenly rest may be found forever amid the immutable precious things of God? Need I answer! Under the Divine blessing, these objects are to be attained by regarding the Church, by treating it, by teaching in it, by living in it, that which it really is—not a sect, not a respectable religious body, for whose order and doctrines a plausible argument can be constructed out of Holy Scripture, but a pure branch of the One Holy Catholic Church, divinely handed down to us, and, as to its faith and order, resting upon the immoveable foundation of Holy Scripture, rightly interpreted, according to its letter, and according to the faith and practice of the whole early Church. Nothing short of this will give to the members of this Church, whether clergy or laity, an adequate sense of the greatness of their privileges, of the extent of their responsibilities, or of the strength of their position. Nothing less will inspire them with the greatness of soul, the Christian faith and courage necessary for their comfort and for their work! Nothing less will enable them to cultivate a true spirit of unity—broad, comprehensive sympathies—in spite of minor differences of opinion, or to estimate at their real worth those ephemeral ebullitions which sometimes awaken groundless alarm in the ill-informed and unstable.

Let it not be thought, my brethren, that my words imply any the least impeachment of your views or your teaching in the past. Nothing could be further from my intention. I think you know how I have loved you, and how I have honoured your ministry. I speak altogether in the abstract, as if I had never known you in former years, and had no thought of knowing you in the future, and had only in view those great elements of life and strength which must be everywhere alike needful to the well-being of the Church. Some excellent persons, even in the Church, think it enough to say that our one

only appeal for the support of every alleged truth of God must be to Holy Scripture. Undoubtedly. We are to "teach nothing as necessary to eternal salvation, but that which we are persuaded may be concluded and proved by Scripture." But "the Scripture," how interpreted? Surely not every interpretation offered by a partial, ignorant, self-confident expositor is to be accepted as the infallible truth of God. Were it so, we must accept the most contradictory propositions, and hold them to be equally infallible verities. It is a mistake to suppose, as some do, that orthodox Christians are the only persons who profess to rely on Holy Scripture for the support of their doctrines. They who deny the real and proper divinity of our blessed LORD profess to go by Scripture. The Seventh-Day Baptists profess to go by Scripture; the Universalist professes to go by Scripture; the Romanist quotes Scripture for almost every feature of his system. They have their interpretation as we have ours. We maintain, indeed, that from Holy Scripture alone, the truth, as held by us, is abundantly apparent; but they, from bias, from education, think differently. Now, my brethren, must the truth of God be held only as a probable opinion, only as having the prevailing weight of evidence and argument in its favour. And in individual and local controversies, where truth and error stand confronted, is everything to be left dependent upon the skill of the disputants, so that the victory, or the appearance of victory, shall be on the side of the most dexterous advocate? Is there no way of reaching certainty in a vital matter? Is there no sovereign arbiter to whom we may appeal to decide which of these conflicting interpretations is the true one? The answer to these questions has been several times referred to in the observations already made. When we find that every essential feature of our Branch of the Church, its faith, its order, its view of God's grace, is not only supported by the plain literal meaning of Holy Scripture—in most cases by a vast amount of Hol

Scripture—but is also in strict accordance with the faith and practice of the whole early Church wherever planted for three hundred years (we might say much more), when we see that, we think that in all reason and judgment there is an absolute end of all controversy. “The faith of God standeth sure.” It is not matter of opinion; it is not left to cunning argumentation. By this appeal to the unquestionable facts of primitive faith and practice, the truth of God in Holy Scripture is effectually protected from modern false glosses and false interpretations. Every great and vital truth is taken out of the province of mere opinion, and carried over into the domain of absolute fact. There remains not a shadow of uncertainty as to what we are to believe, or what we are to do; and this appeal to the Primitive Church is as fatal to the Romanist on the one side, as to the denier of CHRIST’S Divinity on the other, because, upon a searching scrutiny, we assure ourselves that in the first three hundred years of the Church of CHRIST, not a speck of Romanism is to be found. These corruptions came gradually into the Church, amid the thickening gloom of later ages.

To all the doubting world, then, we are enabled to say: to the serious, unbiased mind, Holy Scripture, so far as concerns great leading truths, is plain. And if in any of these points you consider the meaning of the written Word doubtful, you ought to be satisfied with the assurance evident to all men diligently reading Holy Scripture and ancient authors, that the truth, as received from Holy Scripture by this Church, is the truth as received from Holy Scripture in the early Church—the best possible evidence that we have truly the mind of CHRIST. Oh, that these things were duly understood and appreciated by all the members of our own Church! Oh, that they all adequately comprehended the length and breadth and depth of the everlasting foundations on which the truth of God and the whole order of His Church securely and immovably rest! How steadfast and tranquil they would

be amid the perturbations of the daytime and the chimeras of the night! How impossible would it be to turn one of them from the glorious old faith, once for all delivered to the primitive saints, and through them to the Church, to be kept to the end of time! How large would be their hearts toward their brethren, and toward all good works!

And O that these views of the evidence, and of the certainty, of the Truth of God, could be made palpable to all the wavering, beclouded, wandering youth of this land! O that for them the murky darkness and the phantoms of misbelief and unbelief might be forever dispersed, that they might see very near to them the Holy City of Refuge, and, entering gladly in, reach the end of miserable doubts, and the beginning of everlasting repose!

But what is to be inferred from all this? Do we wish to see the Christian Pastor often turning away from the great, central, spiritual Truth of God in CHRIST, to engage in polemics, to deal with controversial divinity? Do we wish to see the pulpit forever occupied in building up the outworks and defences of the Truth, instead of labouring in the power of the HOLY GHOST to send that Truth itself home to the hearts and consciences of the hearers? Oh, no! God forbid! Undoubtedly it is the right, and the duty, of every Minister of God's Church, to give to the people waiting upon his ministry a reason for the hope that is in him, and that ought to be in them, to explain the grounds on which the Truth rests. But many discourses, exclusively devoted to explicit teaching of that kind, are neither necessary nor expedient. The wise, well-instructed Christian Pastor, will know how to mingle evidence with the most pungent and tender enforcements of the Truth of CHRIST; how to conduct the instruction of the young; how to converse with his people in private, in such a manner, that his flock shall be thoroughly indoctrinated, shall be rooted and grounded in the whole Truth of God, from foundation to top stone, almost without perceiving or remembering how they came to be so established. He will have

always preaching CHRIST, but so preaching, that while heart was touched and made better, the convictions and faith were established on sure foundations.

Now, once again: Do we wish to see our Christian Pastors indulging into the minds of their Christian people, unkind, uncivilious, or scornful feelings toward the members of the various bodies around them? Oh! no. A hundred times God of Truth and Love forbid! Through providential circumstances, they are attached to religious organizations which are very defective, as compared with that primitive Apostolic Church, which is the "Pillar and ground of truth"; by education and by social influences they have been prevented from seeing things as we see them; in their position, they have "done what they could." Valuable traits of Christian character often appear among

The mercy and grace of God have reached them, and have produced many good fruits, in works of piety and charity, for which we bless God. There are those among us at whose feet we would be glad to be allowed to sit in the kingdom of heaven. These are no good reasons for valuing our own superior privileges, or for attempting to form false unions, which always involve some sacrifice of principle, some suppression of truth, as they always tend to lead into confusion and bitterness. But they are reasons for cherishing, for the individual Christian brother, feelings of respect and esteem, of warm affection, if there be worth to cherish, and it, and for making such feelings manifest in every token of kindness and office of love. Personal respect and kindness, in private and in social life, are what is due from us to a Christian brother, and they should not be withheld. They are all that can be properly demanded of us. To call upon us to unite in organized religious services and efforts, when there can be no real union in principle or in ecclesiastical order, is to urge an unreasonable claim, which a just sense of duty, and regard for truth, will hardly admit of our conceding.

Oh! The greatest exercise of Christian charity for us is,

in private, to be kind to all, and in public, to proclaim
 “the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the Truth”
 and to live and work in the spirit of that Truth! Are
 indeed, a branch of the One Holy Catholic Church? .
 we of the same school as the primitive saints and confessors.
 Let us prove it by our lives and by our works! O blessed
 SAVIOUR of the world! O Thou adorable LORD and HEAD
 of the Church! Pour out Thy grace upon us, and cause
 spring up among us more abundantly the glorious fruits
 of Thy Cross and Thy Passion! Kindle anew in us Thy
 own Spirit of self-sacrifice and self-devotion! Bring back
 to us the days when believers were in love with a life
 of voluntary poverty for Thy sake! when houses and lands
 were joyfully sold that the price might be devoted to
 the uses of Thy service—when opulent estates were employed
 in erecting and endowing institutions for ministries of
 Thine own, and when the donors, delicate women,
 were content with the entire offering of their worldly goods,
 were seen on their bended knees in those “houses
 of mercy,” ministering by day and by night to Thy suffering
 members! O touch the hearts of our youth that they may
 offer themselves willingly for Thy service—that they may
 esteem it enough to be signed with Thy Cross and accepted
 for the ministries of Thine holy altar! Draw near to Thyself
 the Christian men and women, whom, by Thy providence,
 Thou hast exempted from domestic cares, bereft of
 worldly comforts, and fill them with the joys of Thy
 presence and Thy love, while they live wholly unto Thee
 in caring for Thy little ones, in imparting light and
 knowledge to the ignorant, in seeking out the miserable
 and afflicted, in raising up the fallen!

Brethren beloved! the day hurries toward the evening.
 Yet a little while we labour for CHRIST in the building
 of His kingdom! His work was to succour the miserable,
 to instruct and save the perishing, to point and lead
 the way to the heavenly rest. Be it yours also! You are
 to-day at the organization of a new diocese. You stand

ountain head of a stream which is to flow on for ages. a great thing to be present at the beginning of a new cy which is to grow and develope, perhaps, for centuries me! The plans you form, the conceptions you embody ganized effort, are to be followed by those who come you. Trust to no temporary expedients, to no popular orm excitements for strength to do a great work! inciations of error go but a little way toward advancing ruth. Clamor against the abuses and the pretensions stealthy, hard-working body, contributes little to the ling up of a great Kingdom capable of standing as a ark of the Faith.

ositive teaching and positive work, organized work, matic work, permanent institutions, associated labour principle of absolute self-consecration for CHRIST'S in a body having corporate life, capable of large sion and wide ramifications, fitted for all works of and charity, among others, for Christian education on d principles—these means, steadily and faithfully em- ed, in humble dependence upon the assistance of the ed SPIRIT, in pure, loving devotion to our dear LORD SAVIOUR, will make you and your Church so “strong e LORD and in the power of His might,” that the of hell shall never prevail against you. Is it too a to hope, dear brethren, that you will live and work her “in unity of spirit and in the bond of peace”? ily you may be made by the Spirit of Grace all one HRIST JESUS—a holy loving brotherhood—helping on other's work, dealing tenderly with each other's in- ties, striving together with one mind and one heart for truth of the Gospel, how mightily your power will creased for good! God, in His great mercy, grant it! may He, by His Blessed SPIRIT, guide your choice to d man—a man full of faith and love and of the HOLY r, to be a chief pastor over you. May that pastor's for you, and your love for him, be even more tender, devoted, than the love which has made our com-

munings together so sweet and pleasant. My spirit will be always with you, my prayers will follow you; and no greater boon, no dearer service of love, can your former Bishop entreat of you, than that you will fervently pray for him, that he may be enlightened and sanctified and strengthened for every duty and trial—that his errors and shortcomings may be pardoned for CHRIST's sake; and that, at last, his soul, washed in the Blood of that Immaculate Lamb that was slain to take away the sins of the world, may find place among the humblest of the accepted servants of God. May we meet to renew and to continue for ever our thanksgivings and praises, in that glorious temple, not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens. Amen.

APPENDIX I.

Rules of Order

OF THE

Convention of the Diocese of Long Island.

I. AT the opening of each Annual Convention, after Morning Prayer, Sermon, and the administration of the Holy Communion, the PRESIDENT shall take the Chair; after which the Order of Procedure shall be as follows:

1. The Secretary, under the direction of the Bishop; or, in case of his absence, or inability to act, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, under the direction of the Standing Committee, shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats.

2. He shall call over the churches entitled to representation, when the Lay Delegates shall present their certificates; which certificates shall be examined by the Secretary, and a Committee of two members appointed by the Presiding Officer. Irregular or defective certificates, and certificates and documents referring to contested seats, shall be temporarily laid aside. The names of the Lay Delegates, duly appointed, shall then be called; after which, the certificates and documents laid aside shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the deputies named therein.

3. A constitutional quorum (thirty Clergymen and thirty Delegations) being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business, which shall proceed in the following order:

4. Reading of the Rules of Order.

5. The election of a Secretary and Treasurer, the former of whom shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

6. The appointment of five Standing Committees by the President:

- (1.) On the Incorporation and Admission of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen, reports from which Committee may be in order at any time during the session of the Convention.
- (2.) On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with the Treasurer.
- (3.) On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.
- (4.) On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.
- (5.) On Canons, at least two Clergymen and two Laymen.

7. The appointment of Inspectors of Elections; one Clergyman and one Layman for the Clerical Votes, and one Clergyman and one Layman for the Lay Votes—for the Standing Committee, the Deputies, and the Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, the Deputies to the Federate Council, and the Missionary Committee.

8. The receiving and referring, when necessary, of Reports, other than those of Special Committees, which may have been handed in to the Secretary.

9. Miscellaneous Business.

II. On the second day, the Order of Business, after Morning Prayer, shall be

1. Reading and approving of the Minutes.
2. Receiving certificates of Lay Delegates not present before.
3. Calling over the names of Members not present on the first day.
4. Admission of Parishes into union with the Convention.
5. Reception of the Clergy and Lay Delegates of the same.
6. Annual Address of the Bishop; unless he should prefer another time for its delivery. If so, it shall be at any time in order.
7. The election of the Standing Committee, the Deputies and the Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, the Deputies to the Federate Council, and the Missionary Committee.
8. The appointment of the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and supplying vacancies, if any, in the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
9. Report of the Secretary, when any business has been committed to that officer.
10. Report of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese.
11. Report of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.
12. Report of the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.
13. Report of the Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report.
14. Report of the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary.

15. Report of the Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund.
16. Reports of Special Committees.
17. Miscellaneous Business.

III. On the third and any subsequent day, the Order of Business, after Morning Prayer, shall be :

1. Reading and Approval of the Minutes.
2. Receiving the certificates of Lay Delegates not present before.
3. Calling the names of Members not present before.
4. Reports not presented the preceding day, in order.
5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. If the prescribed Order of Business on any day should not have been gone through with, the first business on the succeeding day shall be the matters which had not been reached on the preceding day, and in the Order for that day prescribed : this rule shall not apply to miscellaneous business.

V. If the President ex-officio is not present at the opening of the Convention, the Secretary shall call the Convention to order, when the senior Presbyter present, being entitled to a seat, shall take the Chair ; and in such case, immediately after the organization of the Convention, a President shall be elected, by ballot, from among the Clergy.

VI. Before the rising of the Convention, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

VII. The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Clergy men belonging in this Diocese but not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen of other Dioceses, Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, and all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

VIII. The hours of each day's session shall be from 10 A.M. to 2½ P.M., and from 3 P.M. to 5 P.M., and when ordered by the Convention, from 7 to 10 P.M.

IX. The mode of conducting the Stated Elections by ballot shall be as follows :

The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Parishes entitled to vote, who, as called, are to present their several ballots for each office to be filled, to the appropriate inspectors, whose duty it shall be to take charge of the same, keeping a poll list of the votes, and as soon as practicable to canvass the same, and report the results thereof

to the Convention. If, on any such report, it shall appear that no valid election has been made in respect to all or any of the offices to be filled, the poll shall again be opened; for the purpose of filling those which remain vacant; and if, on such second attempt, the purpose shall not be accomplished, the balloting may be resumed at the discretion of the Convention.

X. No Motion shall be considered as before the Convention unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XI. When a Question is before the Convention, no Motion, except as hereinafter provided, shall be received, but to lay it on the table, to postpone it indefinitely, to postpone it to a certain time, to commit it, or to amend it; which Motions shall have precedence in the order named. But a Motion to strike out the word "Resolved" shall have precedence of a Motion to amend, and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the Resolution.

XII. All Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are received. When a proposed Amendment is under consideration, a Motion to amend the same may be made: no after Amendment to such second Amendment shall be in order.

XIII. A Motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

XIV. A Motion to adjourn shall always be in order, when no Member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate. A Motion to fix the hour or day to which the Convention shall adjourn takes precedence of a Motion to adjourn, and shall be decided without debate.

XV. The Mover may withdraw a Motion or Resolution at any time before decision or amendment, in which case it shall not be entered upon the minutes.

XVI. If a Question under debate contain several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any Member, and a vote taken separately.

XVII. No Member may speak more than twice on the same Question without leave of the Convention, nor more than once in any case until every Member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

XVIII. Every Member present shall vote, whenever a Question is put, unless excused by the Convention on account of his being personally interested in the result, or for other cause.

XIX. The Vote shall be taken by Ayes and Noes, and by Orders, whenever called for by five Members.

XX. In taking the Vote by Orders, it shall be the right of any Member of a Delegation who may dissent from the vote of the majority of the Delegation, to have the fact of his dissent recorded on the Minutes.

XXI. A Question being decided, shall not be reconsidered during the same Session, without the consent of two-thirds of the Members present, nor without the Motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the first decision. No Question shall be reconsidered more than once.

XXII. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XXIII. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received, of course, without Motion for acceptance. They shall be entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise ordered. If recommending, or requiring, any action, or expression of opinion by the Convention, they shall be accompanied by a Resolution, or Resolutions, for its consideration.

XXIV. When a Member is called to order by the President, or another Member, he shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain. All Questions of Order shall be determined in the first instance by the President; but any Member may appeal from any decision of the Chair; and on such appeal, no Member shall speak more than once without leave of the Convention.

XXV. All Questions relating to priority of Business shall be decided without debate.

XXVI. The prescribed Order of Business shall not be departed from, nor shall any Rule of Order be suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the Members present; nor shall any be changed, or rescinded, without one day's previous notice of a Motion to that effect.

XXVII. The majority of a Quorum shall always be required to elect any Officer.

APPENDIX II.



CHURCHES OF THE DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND, with the date of their Admission into Union with the CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK :

KINGS COUNTY.

Christ, Bay Ridge,	.	.	.	.	.	.	Admitted	. 1853
All Saints', Brooklyn,	.	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1867
Ascension,	"	(Extinct),	.	.	.	.	"	. 1852
Atonement,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1864
Calvary,	"	(Extinct),	.	.	.	.	"	. 1841
Christ,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1836
Emmanuel,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1856
Evangelists',	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1867
Grace,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1849
Holy Trinity,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1852
Messiah,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1850
Our Saviour,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1867
Redeemer,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1854
Reformation,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1861
St. Andrew's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1855
St. Ann's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1782
St. James',*	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. . .
St. John's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. Luke's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1841
St. Mark's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1851
St. Mary's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. Matthew's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. Michael's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. Paul's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. Peter's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. Stephen's,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. Thomas',	"	(Extinct),	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
Calvary, Brooklyn, E. D.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
Christ,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
Grace,	"	.	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821
St. John's,	"	(Extinct),	.	.	.	.	"	. 1821

* Not in union with the Convention of Long Island.

KINGS COUNTY. (Continued.)

l's, "	Admitted .	1837
's, "	" .	1848
East New York,	" .	1854
's, Flatbush,	" .	1836
's, Fort Hamilton,	" .	1834
's, Greenfield,	" .	1860
n, Greenpoint,	" .	1847

QUEENS COUNTY.

er, Astoria,	Admitted .	1866
ge's, "	" .	1837
's, Cold Spring Harbor,	" .	1837
ge's, Flushing,†	" .	1785
s, Glen Cove,	" .	1834
ge's, Hempstead,†	" .	1786
amaica,†	" .	1785
ttle Neck,	" .	1830
's, Long Island City,	" .	1866
Manhasset,	" .	1833
ur's, Maspeth,	" .	1847
s', Newtown,†	" .	1785
yster Bay,†	" .	1837
nas', Ravenswood,	" .	1839
Rockaway,	" .	1844
outh Oyster Bay,	" .	1845
Whitestone,	" .	1858

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

s Chapel, East Hampton,*	Admitted .	. . . .
's, Huntington,†	" .	1838
inity, Greenport,* . . . . .	" .	. . . .
's, Islip,†	" .	1787
t's, "	" .	1850
s, Patchogue,	" .	1854
's, Ronkonkoma,* . . . . .	" .	. . . .
ag Harbor,	" .	1846
Setauket,†	" .	1792
s', Smithtown,	" .	1853

* Not in union with the Convention of Long Island.

† Existed under Royal Charter, or otherwise, prior to the Convention of 1785.

APPENDIX III.



A SUMMARY OF THE STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES ON LONG ISLAND, as reported to the BISHOP OF NEW YORK, for the Conventional Year 1867-8:—

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS.	Baptisms.	Confirma- tions.	Communi- cants.	Marriages.	Burials.	Offerings.
KINGS COUNTY.						
Christ, Bay Ridge,	7	7	84	3	9	\$10,666 65
All Saints', Brooklyn,	13	17	70	2	4	551 92
Atonement, "	39	3	27	10	6	1,315 67
Christ, "	31	..	527	19	18	13,627 89
Emmanuel, "	44	17	185	6	18	.. . . .
Evangelists', "	3	..	40	1	3	202 50
Grace, "	63	38	553	12	23	21,114 11
Holy Trinity, "	42	61	555	32	21	25,950 00
Messiah, " . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	.. . . .
Our Saviour, "	59	29	124	5	29	1,098 01
Redeemer, "	28	20	220	7	13	3,617 95
Reformation, "	27	25	100	4	11	1,524 96
St. Andrew's, "	9	1	..	3	2	654 16
St. Ann's, "	66	72	400	24	20	7,450 51
St. James' "	14	..	115	1	4	2,746 26
St. John's, "	87	51	451	35	52	3,402 27
St. Luke's, "	108	32	327	30	48	2,030 97
St. Mark's, "	15	..	100	6	9	2,700 00
St. Mary's, "	94	43	461	27	52	8,930 93
St. Matthew's, "	26	..	75	4	7	.. . . .
St. Michael's, "	58	19	63	12	30	807 12
St. Paul's, "	26	..	309	13	22	6,397 66
St. Peter's, "	94	35	550	37	82	13,417 49
St. Stephen's, "	22	14	62	..	10	1,183 92
Calvary, Brooklyn, E. D.,.	43	..	181	18	41	5,005 16
Christ, "	93	12	350	31	74	2,014 63
Grace, "	33	13	130	16	18	649 44
St. Mark's, "	40	15	364	21	41	4,374 63
St. Paul's, "	30	31	110	15	8	3,750 87
Carried forward	1214	555	6533	394	675	\$145,185 61

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS.	Baptisms.	Confirma- tions.	Communi- cants.	Marriages.	Burials.	Offerings.
<i>forward</i>	1214	555	6533	394	675	\$145,185 68
SUNNYVALE COUNTY (Continued).						
St. New York,	51	21	57	5	13	. . . . .
Flatbush,	26	34	84	5	8	6,528 05
Fort Hamilton,	9	. .	53	4	1	1,494 13
Greenfield, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
Greenpoint,	36	23	156	12	20	4,003 00
Trinity Foundation,	8	6	34	3	7	379 00
AL,	1,344	639	6,917	423	724	\$157,589 86
SUNNYVALE COUNTY.						
Astoria,	29	39	102	4	12	\$17,477 79
" "	8	. .	110	. .	13	1,187 31
Gold Spring Harbor, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
Chapel, College Point,	7	. .	30	2	5	. . . . .
" Flushing,	34	3	350	11	39	6,818 73
Wilen Cove,	7	. .	72	6	6	. . . . .
" Hempstead,	17	. .	218	4	23	1,129 56
St. Ilica,	37	27	190	7	27	583 52
" Neck,	41	. .	105	7	17	1,536 27
Long Island City,	18	. .	45	2	9	419 82
Massaset,	4	. .	160	5	12	951 34
" Maspeth,	9	. .	30	2	6	997 17
Newtown,	6	. .	90	. .	1	377 13
Far Bay,	16	. .	95	3	6	1,393 54
" Ravenswood,	9	17	80	2	8	4,467 95
Rockaway,*	38	. .	126	3	11	1,126 60
St. Oyster Bay, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
Weststone,	22	. .	51	6	7	3,523 00
AL,	302	86	1,854	64	202	\$41,989 73
SUNNYVALE COUNTY.						
St. Arch, Babylon, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
Chapel, East Hampton, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
" Greenport,	6	. .	17	1	. .	\$1,187 32
St. Huntington,	5	. .	87	6	8	2,670 00
St. Alip,†	12	. .	40	3	4	1,027 75
" "	8	. .	42	2	2	45 50
St. Patchogue,	3	. .	20	. .	4	107 00
St. Ronkonkoma, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
St. Harbor, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
St. Sauket,	11	. .	37	4	7	103 47
St. Smithtown, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
St. Yaphank, . . . . .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. . . . .
AL,	45	. .	243	16	25	\$5,141 04
5 Churches reported,	1,691	725	9,014	503	951	\$204,720 63

*With this Church are included, also, the Statistics of Trinity Chapel, Rockaway.

†With this Church are included, also, the Statistics of St. Barnabas' Chapel, Sayville.

APPENDIX IV

Officers of the Diocese.

The Primary Convention.

The Right Rev. HORATIO POTTER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., *President.*

“ Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., *Secretary.*

Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

*The Standing Committee.**

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D., *President.*

“ T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.

“ ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D., *Secretary.*

“ JOHN A. PADDOCK.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

The Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT.

Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN.

The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

The Missionary Committee.

The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK, *Chairman.*

“ J. CARPENTER SMITH.

“ SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D.

“ CALEB B. ELLSWORTH.

“ D. V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.

Mr. JOSEPH W. GREENE, *Treasurer.*

“ JOHN HALSEY.

“ WILLIAM C. SHELDON.

“ HENRY A. BOGERT.

The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW, *Secretary.*

* The Standing Committee meet statedly on the Mondays of the Ember Weeks, December 14th, 1868; and February 15th, May, 17th, September 13th, 1869. Papers requiring their action should be sent to the Secretary previous to these dates.

THE DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.

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Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

The Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.

“ WILLIAM H. LUDLOW.

“ DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

THE PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES.

The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK.

“ JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.

“ ROBERT T. PEARSON.

“ *

Mr. HENRY P. MORGAN.

The Hon. NATHAN B. MORSE.

Mr. HENRY HAGNER.

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THE DEPUTIES TO THE FEDERATE COUNCIL.

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D.

“ T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.

“ ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.

“ ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.

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The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

“ JOHN W. HUNTER.

“ JESSE C. SMITH.

“ WILLIAM H. LUDLOW.

Mr. WILLIAM PEET.

† These vacancies are to be filled at the next Convention. --- 1. 51.

THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

“ CHARLES R. MARVIN.

“ JOHN D. JONES, *Treasurer*.

“ PITT COOKE.

The Hon. J. LAWRENCE SMITH.

Special Committees of the Convention.

ON THE INCORPORATION AND ADMISSION OF CHURCHES.

The Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.

“ HON. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

The Hon. JESSE C. SMITH.

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.

“ JOHN A. PADDOCK.

Mr. AUGUSTUS E. MASTERS.

“ CHRISTIAN W. BOUCK.

“ ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

ON THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED.

“ WILLIAM NICOLL.

“ WILLIAM C. SHELDON.

ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.

“ THOMAS MALLABY.

Mr. HENRY C. PIERREPONT.

“ JOHN A. KING.

“ ALEXANDER V. BLAKE.

ON CANONS.

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D.

“ ROBERT T. PEARSON.

“ EDWARD JESSUP.

The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

“ MURRAY HOFFMAN.

“ JOHN W. HUNTER.

ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.

The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.

“ DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.

“ WILLIAM H. MOORE.

Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

“ WILLIAM B. LEONARD.

“ HENRY P. MORGAN.

“ LEWIS MORRIS.

ON THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

The Rev. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D.

“ NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D.

“ T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.

“ JOHN A. PADDOCK.

“ J. CARPENTER SMITH.

Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED, *Chairman*.

“ WM. J. COGSWELL.

“ CHARLES R. MARVIN.

“ THOMAS MESSENGER.

“ HOSEA WEBSTER.

“ EDWARD TODD.

“ HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

“ JOHN D. JONES.

“ JOHN W. LAWRENCE.

“ WILLIAM NICOLL.

THE REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.

“ ROBERT W. HARRIS, D.D.

“ EDWARD JESSUP.

The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

“ MURRAY HOFFMAN.

THE APPORTIONMENT OF THE CHARITABLE OR OTHER FUNDS
OF THE LATE UNDIVIDED DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Rev. N. H. SCHENCK, D.D.

“ ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.

“ EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D.

“ THOMAS MULLABY.

Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN.

The Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

A P P E N D I X V.

The Consecration of the Bishop of Long Island.

ON THE WEDNESDAY AFTER SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

January 27, 1869.

SOON after the adjournment of the Primary Convention of Long Island, the Committee appointed to notify the Rev. Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., of his election as Bishop of the Diocese, who had also been chosen Bishop of the Diocese of Central New York, addressed him officially as follows:

ST. PAUL'S RECTORY, FLATBUSH, *Nov. 21, 1868.*

DEAR DR. LITTLEJOHN:—Though we have discharged the duty assigned us by the Convention, in announcing to you verbally the fact of your election as the first Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island, asking your acceptance of the solemn trust, and expressing the hope that you will in due time be consecrated to that holy office, we yet deem it proper to place before you in writing the call of the Convention, acting as we believe under the providence of God, to the great work which is before us in this new Diocese.

Allow us to renew the hope that you will accept the work and office to which you are called, should the general Church and the good providence of God confirm the choice, of which we have no reason at all to doubt. Allow us to urge, for the satisfaction of the Diocese, as prompt and early a decision as your perplexing position and the conflicting claims upon you will permit.

Your long residence and successful work among us, together with your large knowledge of the wants and resources of our infant Diocese, have, as we believe, pointed to you as one every way prepared to be our guide and leader, as you are our chosen Bishop.

you and the Diocese be richly blessed with all spiritual and blessings in Christ Jesus, and after having "plenteously brought fruit of good works," may we all "be plenteously rewarded [JESUS CHRIST our Lord."

Believe us,

Sincerely and affectionately yours,

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R. B. VAN KLEECK,
E. A. HOFFMAN,
W. H. LUDLOW,
D. R. FLOYD JONES,

Committee on the part of the Convention.

This the following reply was received, accepting the office of Long Island:

BROOKLYN, *Nov.* 30, 1868.

BRETHREN: I hereby notify you of my acceptance of the office of Long Island, to which I was elected by its Primary Convention the 19th, should the choice be confirmed by the Bishops and Standing Committees.

A decision has been reached after the most earnest and prayerful consideration of all the interests and issues likely to be affected by it, especially of the conflicting claims upon me, with which you are

most thankful that I have not been obliged to rely solely upon my own judgment in determining the course of duty.

The voice of the Church, uttered in many quarters, widely remote from my own field, has reached me in unmistakable language. I have also benefited, moreover, of the well-weighed counsel of some of our venerated Bishops, and most trustworthy Presbyters. There seems no longer any doubt as to which my future labours should be directed.

I shall enter upon the Episcopacy of Long Island with a deep sense of the responsibilities which it will impose upon me, and of my own weakness; but at the same time with a full reliance upon the gracious and parental guidance of Him, from Whom all wisdom and strength are derived, and with a desire to follow, though afar off, the example of the noble one who declared that he counted not his life dear to himself, so that he might finish his course with joy, and the Ministry which he had received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God.

Commending myself to the prayers of the brethren of the clergy, and of all the faithful and beloved people of God throughout the Diocese, that I may have a right judgment in all things, and be endued with the grace and wisdom needful to the office and work of a Bishop of the Church of God,

I am, faithfully and sincerely,

Your servant and brother in Christ,

A. N. LITTLEJOHN.

Rev. R. B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Rev. E. A. Hoffman, D.D., Hon. Wm. H. Ludlow, Hon. D. R. Floyd Jones, *Committee on the part of the Convention.*

The Standing Committee, having been instructed by the Primary Convention to take the necessary steps for the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn, at their first meeting, directed their President and Secretary to make the proper communications to the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses in the United States, and to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops.

The following Circulars were accordingly issued, together with copies of the Testimonial of the Primary Convention:

DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

BROOKLYN, *November 24th*, 1868.

To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of

By appointment of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Long Island, we herewith communicate to you the desire of the Church in this Diocese for the Consecration of the Rev. Abram N. Littlejohn, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, in Brooklyn, as a Bishop in the Church of God, together with evidence of his election by the Primary Convention, and copies of the necessary testimonials, and ask your consent to his Consecration, as required by Section III., Canon 13, Title I., of the General Convention.

Permit us to request your action at your earliest convenience, and that you will communicate with the Secretary at Brooklyn.

E. A. HOFFMAN, *President.*

ALEX. BURGESS, *Secretary.*

DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

BROOKLYN, *November 24th*, 1868.

At a meeting of the Primary Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, held in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, on the Nineteenth day of November, A.D. 1868, the Rev. Abram N. Littlejohn, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, by a Canonical majority of the Clergy and Laity and upon concurrent ballot, was duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island.

Attest :

T. STAFFORD DROWNE,

Secretary of the Convention.

On the twenty-third of December, the Presiding Bishop was informed that a majority of the Standing Committees had consented to the Consecration of the Bishop-Elect.

On the sixteenth of January, 1869, the Presiding Bishop notified the Standing Committee that a majority of the Bishops had consented to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn as a Bishop in the Church of God ; and designated as the time for the Consecration, Wednesday, the twenty-seventh of January ; and as the place, the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn. He appointed the Right Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of New York, as the Consecrator ; the Right Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey, as the Preacher ; and the Right Rev. Arthur Cleveland Coxe, D.D., Bishop of Western New York, and the Right Rev. Robert Harper Clarkson, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Nebraska, as the Presenters.

The Standing Committee accordingly appointed a Committee of Arrangements for the Consecration, consisting of the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., the Rev. John A. Paddock, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont, and Mr. Charles R. Marvin.

On the day appointed for the Consecration, Wednesday, the twenty-seventh of January, at ten o'clock in the morning, a large number of the Clergy and Laity assembled in the Chapel of the Holy Trinity. The procession was formed, and, on reversing, entered the Church in the following order :

Diocese of Long Islana.

The Right Rev. HORATIO POTTER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.,
Bishop of New York.

Rt. Rev. W. H. ODENHEIMER, D.D., *Bishop of New Jersey.* Rt. Rev. JOHN JOHNS, D.D.,
Bishop of Virginia.

Rt. Rev. A. C. COXE, D.D., *Bishop of Western New York.* Rt. Rev. R. H. CLARKSON, D.D.,
Missionary Bishop of Nebraska.

Rt. Rev. G. M. RANDALL, D.D., *Missionary Bishop of Colorado.* Rt. Rev. J. B. KERFOOT, D.D., LL.D.,
Bishop of Pittsburgh.

Rt. Rev. H. A. NEELY, D.D., *Bishop of Maine.* Rt. Rev. B. W. MORRIS, D.D.,
Missionary Bishop of Oregon.

The Rev. A. N. LITTLEJOHN, D.D., Bishop-Elect,

With his attendant Presbyters,

The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH and the Rev. R. B. VAN KLEECK, D.D. —

Rev. W. C. DOANE, D.D., *Bishop-Elect of Albany.* Rev. F. D. HUNTINGTON, D.D.,
Bishop-Elect of Central New York.

Officiating Clergy,

Clerical Members of Standing Committees,

Clergy of Long Island and the neighbouring Dioceses,
(Numbering about two hundred and fifty.)

Lay Members of Standing Committees.

Vestries of Churches of the Diocese.

As the procession entered the Church the following hymn was sung :

SONGS OF PRAISE. HYMN 155. (*Prayer-Book.*)

Songs of praise the angels sang :
 Heaven with hallelujahs rang,
 When Jehovah's work begun,
 When He spake, and it was done.

And shall man alone be dumb,
 Till that glorious kingdom come?
 No : the Church delights to raise
 Psalms, and hymns, and songs of praise.

Songs of praise awoke the morn,
 When the Prince of Peace was born ;
 Songs of praise arose, when He
 Captive led captivity.

Saints below, with heart and voice,
 Still in songs of praise rejoice ;
 Learning here, by faith and love,
 Songs of praise to sing above.

Heaven and earth must pass away,
 Songs of praise shall crown that day :
 God will make new heavens and earth ;
 Songs of praise shall hail their birth.

Borne upon their latest breath,
 Songs of praise shall conquer death ;
 Then, amidst eternal joy,
 Songs of praise their prayers employ.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
 Holy Spirit, Three in One !
 Glory, as of old, to Thee,
 Now, and evermore shall be. Amen.

The Morning Prayer was begun by the Rev. N. H. Schenck, D., Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn.

The *Venite* and the Psalter, Selection Tenth, were chanted phonally by the Choir, and the Clergy and Congregation.

The First Lesson, Isaiah lx., was read by the Rev. William swell Doane, D.D., Bishop-Elect of Albany; and the Second son, St. Matthew x., by the Rev. Frederick D. Huntington, D., Bishop-Elect of Central New York.

The *Te Deum* and *Jubilate Deo* were sung by the Choir.

The Creed and Collects were said by the Rev. Jacob W. er, D.D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn.

The Introit, Hymn 152, was announced by the Rev. Charles Hall, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of New York then read the e-Communion service, assisted in the Epistle by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Colorado, and in the Gospel by the Rt. Rev. the op of Virginia.

The following Hymn was then sung :

HYMN 214. (*Hymns Ancient and Modern.*)

t is gone up; yet ere He passed,
om earth in Heaven to reign,
ormed one holy Church to last
ll He should come again.

So age by age, and year by year,
His grace was handed on;
And still the holy Church is here,
Although her Lord is gone.

welve Apostles first He made
s ministers of grace;
they their hands on others laid,
fill in turn their place.

Let them find pardon, Lord, from Thee,
Whose love to her is cold:
Bring wanderers in, and let there be
One Shepherd, and one Fold. Amen.

The Sermon was preached by the Right Rev. the Bishop of w Jersey, from the Acts of the Apostles, i. 8: "But ye shall ive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and hall be witnesses unto Me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." In cluding, he thus addressed the Bishop-Elect:

Brother, elected to be the first Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island, word of the Lord—"Ye shall be witnesses unto Me"—is come unto . The wonderful commission delivered from the summit of Olivet,

eighteen centuries ago, has sounded forth in ever-widening circles of power, until, passing over the Holy City, over Judea, beyond Samaria, its words of glory and of grace have reached you here at "the uttermost part of the earth." It is the Divine Master, speaking through the authoritative voice of His Church, Who bids you ascend the Chair of the Christian Apostolate, in order that from this higher stand-point, you may bear a wider witness unto Jesus, than even your honourable and successful Presbyterate has borne; and that by your elevation you may approach still nearer to the Giver of life and power—God the Holy Ghost. Elevated, indeed, is the office to which you are about to be ordained and consecrated. I speak not of earthly exaltation, but of that spiritual elevation which lifts the office-bearer upwards and upwards, until, in heart and mind, he continually dwells with Jesus at the right hand of the Father. Full of power is the office of an Apostolic Bishop. I speak not of earthly power, but of that which comes from God the Holy Ghost, and which will move you to a pure ambition to witness unto Jesus, in sympathy, if not in person, beyond the limits of your Diocese, and of your country, even "unto the uttermost part of the earth." To an office thus full of glory, full of grace, I welcome you, my brother; for whatever may be the superadded perplexities which this age of lawless self-will imposes on a Christian Bishop, the Apostolic order brings you very near to Jesus, and gifts you with a larger measure of His gracious Spirit. Even should the *martyr*-element of witness, which lurks in the original word, be your portion, still I welcome you, with all the energies of my heart, to the holy responsibilities of spiritual overseership, and the Church of Christ throughout the land greets you with unaffected satisfaction as you assume the higher ministries of government, remembering your godly and effective service in the other Orders. No more honourable tribute to the success of your pastoral life could have been given by the Church, than that, at one and the same time, two Dioceses should have elected you to be their Bishop. I express the general sentiment when I add, that you have been guided by the grace of God to the decision which makes you this day Bishop of Long Island. A rare field for work for Christ and His Church opens before you in the vigorous and grandly-appointed Diocese that has chosen you for its Bishop. The memories of those who have wrought the work of the Christian Apostolate when this was included in a larger jurisdiction, are part of your inheritance. The Diocese of Long Island is new, in its present independent relation; but through the fruit-bearing agencies which have been long at work, it has sprung into Ecclesiastical existence with the power and appliances of a Minerva. You will guide that power and use those appliances to the greater glory of God, in Jesus Christ the Divine King

His Church. And as you go up and down your beautiful Island-jurisdiction, and the thunder of the broad Atlantic, beating upon the shore, greets you at every step, let the powerlessness of even the loud-sounding ocean to overpass the ordained limit of its proud waves comfort your spirit when the tumultuous opposition of gainsayers shall threaten to engulf your influence and your work. Be not afraid, brother; the waves of the sea, (the sea of the spiritual as well as of the natural world,) are mighty, and rage horribly, but yet the Lord who dwelleth on high is *mightier*. Witness, then, unto that Lord, in all the functions, and through all the agencies of the Christian Apostolate, in the glory and grace of which you are now to share. As you will be ruled in your official presentation of doctrine by the infallible Book of God, so will you be guided in your office of government and discipline by the authoritative teachings and Canon Law of the Church that has called you to be a Bishop: a Church that resists, absolutely and utterly, all change in the *substance* of the Apostolic Faith, Fellowship, Sacraments, and Worship; and that resists all change in even the *accidents* of those public Offices in which she witnesses unto Jesus, except that change be made by canonically appointed authority, and in a canonically appointed way. Let the prudence, decision, and large-hearted charity which have heretofore characterized your ministry, go with you in the discharge of the higher responsibilities of the Order into which you are about to enter. The Church of Christ, in this land and age, needs for her Bishops men of love and men of nerve; those whose heart and imagination are large enough to take in all the varieties of men and tones of thought which the Catholic character of the Church legitimately and avowedly tolerates; and whose will and conscience are resolute enough to exercise the canonical discipline of the Church upon disloyal offenders, be the consequences what they may. Doing all to the glory of God, and keeping in mind that in the firmest act of discipline, as well as in the gentlest act of charity, the mission of the spiritual rulers of the Church is to witness unto Jesus by the power of the Holy Ghost, Brother, bear that witness lovingly, resolutely, in good report and in evil report. So shall you, for Jesus sake, both save yourself and those over whom you have spiritual jurisdiction.

Not for myself only, but for the Church at large, I bid you and your goodly Diocese God speed! commending you, your Clergy and Laity, to the perpetual guidance and benediction of the Triune God, FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST. Amen.

The following ascription was sung after the Sermon (Rev. vii. 12): Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and

honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen. Hallelujah. Amen.

The Bishop-Elect, vested in his rochet, was then presented by the Bishops of Western New York and Nebraska to the Right Reverend the Bishop of New York, Presiding Bishop for the Service, sitting in his chair near the Holy Table.

Upon the demand of the Presiding Bishop for the Testimonials of the person presented for Consecration, the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., Secretary of the Primary Convention of Long Island, presented the original Testimonial of the Convention, signed by a canonical majority of the Clergy and Lay Delegates; the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, presented the original Consents of the majority of the Standing Committees of the Dioceses of the Church in the United States; and the Rev. Eugene A. Hoffman, D.D., presented the Certificate of the Right Rev. B. B. Smith, Bishop of Kentucky, and Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, that a major number of the Bishops had consented to the Consecration of the Bishop-Elect of Long Island.

The Presiding Bishop having directed these Testimonials to be read, the Rev. Dr. Drowne read the Canonical Testimonial of the Primary Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, as follows:

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and fully persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the

REVEREND ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,

is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life, and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally, declare that we do, in our conscience, believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and

set to exercise the office of a Bishop to the honour of God and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

Dated this nineteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight.

Here follow the signatures of sixty Clergymen, and of the Lay Representatives of forty-seven Parishes, as printed in the Proceedings of the Primary Convention, pp. 52—55.]

At the Primary Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, held at the Church of the Holy Trinity, November 19th, 1868, after Resolution, and the above Testimonials were signed, in open session, by a canonical majority of the Clergy and of the Laity.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE,

Secretary of the Convention.

BROOKLYN, November 24th, 1868.

The Rev. Dr. Burgess read the Canonical Form of the Consent of a Standing Committee, as follows :

DIOCESE OF_____

Testimony from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of_____

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony, on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that

Rev. ABRAM N. LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,

is not, so we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office, but that he hath, as we believe, led a good life, for three years last past, piously, soberly, and honestly.

We also hereby give consent to his consecration as Bishop.

1868.

The above Testimony was duly signed, and consent to consecration given, by a canonical majority of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of

Attest :

Secretary.

Dr. Burgess testified that he presented the Consents, in the words of the preceding form, of thirty-five Dioceses :

Pennsylvania,	Rhode Island,	Missouri,
Massachusetts,	Connecticut,	Alabama,
New Jersey,	Kentucky,	Texas,
New Hampshire,	Maine,	Indiana,
Central New York,	Georgia,	Florida,
Delaware,	Michigan,	Maryland,
New York,	Western New York,	Virginia,
Ohio,	Nebraska,	Iowa,
Albany,	Easton,	South Carolina,
Illinois,	Wisconsin,	Vermont,
Mississippi,	Minnesota,	Kansas.*
Pittsburgh,	Louisiana,	

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman read the Certificate of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, with a list of forty-one Bishops consenting to the Consecration :

FRANKFORT, *January 16, 1869.*

This is to certify that a majority of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church have consented to the Consecration of the Reverend A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Long Island.

B. B. SMITH,
Presiding Bishop.

To the REV. DR. HOFFMAN,
President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Long Island.

Bishops, by their Dioceses, consenting to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Littlejohn, Bishop-Elect of the Diocese of Long Island :

<i>December 30th,</i>	1868,	Bishop of Kentucky.
“ 31st,	“	Assistant-Bishop of Kentucky.
“ “	“	Assistant-Bishop of Indiana.
“ “	“	Bishop of Pittsburgh.
“ “	“	Bishop of Michigan.
“ “	“	Bishop of Indiana.
“ “	“	Bishop of Western New York.

* Since the Consecration, the Consents of the Standing Committees of the Dioceses of North Carolina and California have been received.

<i>December</i>	<i>31st,</i>	1868,	Bishop of Illinois.
"	"	"	Assistant-Bishop of Ohio.
<i>January</i>	<i>1st,</i>	1869,	Bishop of New Jersey.
"	"	"	Bishop of Iowa.
"	"	"	Assistant-Bishop of Wisconsin.
"	<i>2d</i>	"	Missionary Bishop of Oregon.
"	"	"	Bishop of Maryland.
"	"	"	Bishop of Massachusetts.
"	"	"	Bishop of New York.
"	"	"	Bishop of Delaware.
"	"	"	Bishop of Missouri.
"	"	"	Bishop of Maine.
"	"	"	Assistant-Bishop of Virginia.
"	<i>4th</i>	"	Bishop of Mississippi.
"	"	"	Bishop of Pennsylvania.
"	"	"	Bishop of Connecticut.
"	"	"	Bishop of Rhode Island.
"	"	"	Bishop of New Hampshire.
"	"	"	Bishop of Minnesota.
"	"	"	Bishop of North Carolina.
"	<i>5th</i>	"	Bishop of Wisconsin.
"	"	"	Missionary Bishop of Colorado.
"	"	"	Bishop of South Carolina.
"	<i>7th</i>	"	Bishop of Ohio.
"	"	"	Bishop of Kansas.
"	"	"	Bishop of Alabama.
"	"	"	Missionary Bishop of Arkansas.
"	<i>8th</i>	"	Bishop of Georgia.
"	"	"	Bishop of Virginia.
"	"	"	Bishop of Vermont.
"	<i>12th</i>	"	Bishop of Tennessee.
"	<i>13th</i>	"	Missionary Bishop of Nebraska.
"	<i>14th</i>	"	Bishop of Louisiana.
"	"	"	Bishop of Florida.*

A true copy from the files :

Attest :

B. B. SMITH,

Presiding Bishop.

* Since the Consecration, the following Consents have been received : From the p of California, dated January 14th ; and from the Missionary Bishop of Montana, January 19th.

The Presiding Bishop then required of the Bishop-Elect the following Promise of Conformity :

In the name of God. Amen. I, ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, chosen Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Long Island, do promise conformity and obedience to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America : So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

The Litany was said by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Nebraska and Dakota.

The Presiding Bishop having examined the Bishop-Elect, the attendant Presbyters vested him with the rest of the Episcopal habit, when, kneeling down, the *Veni Creator Spiritus* was sung over him, the Bishop of Maine leading, and the Bishop and Clergy answering by verses, as follows :

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire
And lighten with celestial fire :
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost Thy seven-fold gifts impart :
Thy blessed unction from above,
Is comfort, life, and fire of love :
Enable with perpetual light,
The dulness of our blinded sight :
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of Thy grace :
Keep far our foes, give peace at home.
Where Thou art Guide no ill can come.
Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And Thee of both to be but one :
That through the ages all along
This may be our endless song :
Praise to Thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

After the Prayer next set forth in the order for Consecrating a Bishop, the Right Rev. the Bishop of New York, Presiding Bishop, and the other Bishops present,—the Right Rev. the Bishop of Virginia, the Right Rev. the Bishop of New Jersey, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Western New York, the Right Rev. the

Missionary Bishop of Nebraska, the Right Rev. the Missionary Bishop of Colorado, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Maine, and the Right Rev. the Missionary Bishop of Oregon, laid their hands upon the head of the elected Bishop kneeling before them, the Presiding Bishop saying :

“Receive the HOLY GHOST for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands: In the name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. Amen. And remember that thou stir up the grace of God, which is given thee by this imposition of our hands: for God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and love, and soberness.”

The Presiding Bishop then delivered the Bible to the newly-consecrated Bishop, with the prescribed exhortation; after which he passed into the chancel, and took his place among the other Bishops, during the singing of the following

ANTHEM—(S. John xx. 21; St. Matthew, xxviii. 20.)

Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent Me, even so send I you.

And, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

The sentences of the Offertory were read by the Right Rev. the Missionary Bishop of Oregon; the alms being devoted to Missions on Long Island.

While the alms were being received from the congregation, the Rev. William H. Cooke, of S. John's Chapel, New York, sang the following Offertory Anthem, selected from the Oratorio of Elijah :

Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in their heavenly Father's realm. Joy on their head shall be for everlasting, and all sorrow and mourning shall flee away for ever.—(S. Matthew xiii. 43; Isaiah li. 11.)

The Right Rev. the Missionary Bishop of Oregon said the Prayer for the Church Militant. The Exhortation and Confession were read by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Maine, the Absolution by the Presiding Bishop, and the Comfortable Words

by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Maine leading in the *Ter Sanctus*.

The Presiding Bishop proceeded with the Prayer of Humble Access, and the Consecration of the Elements; after which, the following Hymn was sung:

HYMN 255. (*Additional Hymns.*)

Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By Whom the words of life were spoken,
And in Whose death our sins are dead:

Look on the hearts by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed,
And be Thy feast to us the token,
That by Thy grace our souls are fed. Amen.

The Bishops of New York and New Jersey administered the Holy Communion to the Bishops, and all of the Bishops assisted in administering to the Clergy; and the Rev. Drs. Doane, Huntington, Schenck, Diller, Hobart, Drowne, Haskins, and the Rev. Mr. Moore, assisted in administering to the Laity.*

The Right Rev. the Bishop of Pittsburgh said the Post Communion; *Gloria in Excelsis* was sung; and the concluding Collect in the Consecration Office and the Blessing of Peace were pronounced by the Presiding Bishop.

The procession was then formed as before, and left the church during the singing of the following Hymn:

HYMN 257. (*Hymns Ancient and Modern.*)

The Eternal gifts of Christ the King,	Their's is the steadfast faith of saints,
The Apostles' glory let us sing;	And hope that never yields or faints,
And all, with hearts of gladness, raise	And love of Christ in perfect glow,
Due hymns of thankful love and praise.	That lays the prince of this world low.
For thus they Church's princes are,	In them the Father's glory shone,
Triumphant leaders in the war,	In them the will of God the Son,
In heavenly courts a warrior band,	In them exults the Holy Ghost,
True lights to lighten every land.	Through them rejoice the heavenly host.

To Thee, Redeemer, now we cry,
That Thou wouldst join to them on high
Thy servants, who this grace implore,
For ever and for evermore. Amen.

After the Services were concluded, the following Letter of

* The silver chalices and patens used on this occasion were those presented by Queen Anne, in 1706, to the Churches of Hempstead and Jamaica.

nsecration, engrossed on parchment, was signed and executed
cially by the Right Rev. the Bishop Consecrating, and the
shops assisting :

In the Name of God. Amen.

To All the Faithful in Christ Jesus, Greeting:

BE it known unto you by these presents that WE, HORATIO POTTER,
D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Oxon., Bishop of New York; WILLIAM
NRY ODENHEIMER, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey; JOHN JOHNS, D.D.,
hop of Virginia; ARTHUR CLEVELAND COXE, D.D., Bishop of Western
w York; ROBERT HARPER CLARKSON, D.D., Missionary Bishop of
braska; GEORGE MAXWELL RANDALL, D.D., Missionary Bishop of
lorado; JOHN BARRETT KERFOOT, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh; HENRY
AMS NEELY, D.D., Bishop of Maine; BENJAMIN WISTAR MORRIS, D.D.,
sionary Bishop of Oregon and Washington Territory; under the pro-
tion of **Almighty God**, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn,
Y., on the Wednesday after Septuagesima Sunday, being the twenty-
enth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
dred and sixty-nine, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation
Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, according to the due and prescribed
er of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,
l in conformity with the Canons thereof, consecrate our beloved in
rist, ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D., Rector of the Church of
Holy Trinity in the City of Brooklyn aforesaid, of whose sufficiency
good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were
y ascertained, to the sacred office of a Bishop in the

One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God;

having been duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island.

In testimony whereof we have affixed to these presents our Episcopal
and signatures in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, afore-
on the day and in the year above written.

HORATIO POTTER, Bishop of New York and Consecrator.

W. H. ODENHEIMER, Bishop of New Jersey, and Preacher.

JOHN JOHNS, Bishop of Virginia.

A. CLEVELAND COXE, Bishop of Western New York.

ROBERT H. CLARKSON, Missionary Bishop of Nebraska
and Dakota.

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The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. W. D'ORVILLE DOTY, Rector of All Saints' Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS, Rector of St. John's Church, Islip, and officiating at St. Paul's, Patchogue, and St. Barnabas' Chapel, Sayville, Suffolk County. P. O. Sayville.

The Rev. HENRY A. DOWS, officiating in St. Barnabas' Chapel, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. RICHARD B. DUANE, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. EDWARD F. EDWARDS, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. CALEB B. ELLSWORTH, Rector of St. John's Church, Huntington, Suffolk County.

The Rev. JOSEPH I. ELSEGOOD, Rector of Trinity Church, East New York, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES H. GARDINER, Bridge-Hampton, Suffolk County.

The Rev. ALVAH GUION, Rector of St. Thomas' Church and Mission, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. WILLIAM D. HARLOW, Warden of the Church Charity Foundation, Brooklyn, Kings County.

* The Rev. ROBERT W. HARRIS, D.D., Rector of St. George's Church, Astoria, Queens County.

* The Rev. THOMAS R. HARRIS, Rector of St. John's Church, Coney Island, Spring Harbor, Queens County.

* The Rev. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.

The Rev. GEORGE G. HEPBURN, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Greenport, Suffolk County.

The Rev. CHARLES HIGBEE, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

- The Rev. JAMES E. HOMANS, Rector of Christ Church, Manhasset, Queens County.
- The Rev. CHARLES W. HOMER, Rector of St. James' Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. HENRY E. HOVEY, Deacon, Rector of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton, Kings County.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN S. HUNTINGTON, Rector of the Church of the Evangelist, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- *The Rev. RICHARD G. HUTTON, Rector of Christ Church, Oyster Bay, Queens County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM HYDE, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- *The Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D., Rector of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- *The Rev. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, Queens County.
- The Rev. JOSHUA KIMBER, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. George's Church, and Missionary, Flushing, Queens County.
- *The Rev. DE WITT C. LOOP, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, Kings County.
- The Rev. DAVID F. MACDONALD, D.D., Sag Harbor, Suffolk County.
- *The Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove, Queens County.
- *The Rev. FRANCIS MANSFIELD, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Greenpoint, Kings County.
- *The Rev. WILLIAM A. W. MAYBIN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.
- The Rev. AMOS D. MCCOY, Alexandria, Parish of Rapides, La.
- The Rev. S. McNULTY, Rector of Trinity Church, Roslyn, Queens County.
- *The Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queens County.
- The Rev. HENRY H. MORRELL, Whitestone, Queens County.
- The Rev. JOHN G. MULHOLLAND, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM B. MUSGRAVE, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Sag Harbor, Suffolk County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Jr., Rector of St. John's Church, Long Island City, Queens County.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN B. NEWTON, Deacon, an Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. FREDERICK M. NOLL, Rector of Caroline Church, Setauket, Suffolk County.

- * The Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, Kings County.
- * The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- * The Rev. ALFRED H. PARTRIDGE, Rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.
- The Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON, Rector of Trinity Church, Rockaway, Queens County.
- The Rev. FRANCIS PECK, Rector of Calvary Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.
- The Rev. JOSEPH D. PHILIP, Deacon,† Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM M. POSTLETHWAITE, Rector of the Church of Our Saviour, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. REID, Rector of the Church of the Mediator, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. E. FRANKLIN REMINGTON, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- * The Rev. REUBEN RILEY, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Islip, Suffolk County.
- * The Rev. GEORGE SAYRES, Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Cypress Hills Village, Kings County. P. O. Jamaica.
- The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D., Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM SCHOULER, Jr., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- * The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH, D.D., Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, Queens County.
- The Rev. HENRY A. SPAFARD, Deacon,† Assistant Minister in St. John's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. S. STEBBINS STOCKING, Rector of Grace Church, South Oyster Bay, Queens County. P. O. Jamaica.
- The Rev. BENJAMIN F. TAYLOR, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. JAMES THOMPSON, Andover, Mass.
- The Rev. FERRIS TRIPP, Deacon,† Assistant Minister of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. THOMAS G. VALPY, Deacon, an Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, Kings County, and Head Master of Trinity School.
- The Rev. CHARLES H. VANDYNE, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, Queens County.
- * The Rev. ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, Kings County.
- * The Rev. JOSEPH M. WAITE, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma, Suffolk County.
- The Rev. HENRY B. WALBRIDGE, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- * The Rev. WILLIAM T. WEBBE, Brooklyn, Kings County.

List of the Clergy.

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**The Rev. CHARLES S. WILLIAMS, Rector of St. Matthew's Church,
Brooklyn, Kings County.**

The Rev. ANDERSON M. WYLIE, Brooklyn, Kings County.

Number of Clergymen present at this Convention.....	66
Number absent.....	9
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Number on the Roll of Convention.....	75
Number not entitled to seats....	15
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Number of Clergymen belonging to the Diocese.....	90

**This mark * designates the Alumni of the General Theological Seminary.
Deacons marked † have not passed the examinations required by Canon,
but are admitted to the restricted Diaconate: Canon 6, § II., Title I., of the
Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.**

Clerical Members of this Convention.

Present at its sittings.

The RIGHT REV. ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,
Bishop.

Rev. Benjamin H. Abbott,	Rev. Edward Jessup,
“ John A. Aspinwall,	“ Daniel V. M. Johnson, D.D.
“ James S. Barnes,	“ Joshua Kimber,
“ Henry M. Beare,	“ De Witt C. Loop,
“ Darius R. Brewer,	“ Thomas Mallaby,
“ John W. Buckmaster,	“ Francis Mansfield,
“ Alexander Burgess, D.D.	“ W. A. W. Maybin,
“ William M. Carmichael, D.D.	“ S. McNulty,
“ William S. Chadwell,	“ William H. Moore,
“ Thomas Cook,	“ William B. Musgrave,
“ Edmund D. Cooper,	“ William H. Neilson, Jr.
“ Thomas F. Cornell,	“ Benjamin B. Newton,
“ Samuel Cox, D.D.	“ Frederick M. Noll,
“ Henry V. Degen,	“ Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.
“ Jacob W. Diller, D.D.	“ John A. Paddock,
“ W. D’Orville Doty,	“ Robert T. Pearson,
“ Henry A. Dows,	“ Francis Peck,
“ T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.	“ William M. Postlethwaite,
“ Richard B. Duane, D.D.	“ William H. Reid,
“ Caleb B. Ellsworth,	“ Reuben Riley,
“ Joseph I. Elsegood,	“ Gilbert Sayres,
“ Alvah Guion,	“ N. H. Schenck, D.D.
“ Charles H. Hall, D.D.	“ William Schouler, Jr.
“ William D. Harlow,	“ J. Carpenter Smith, D.D.
“ Thomas R. Harris,	“ Henry A. Spafard,
“ Samuel M. Haskins, D.D.	“ S. Stebbins Stocking,
“ George G. Hepburn,	“ Ferris Tripp,
“ Charles Higbee,	“ Thomas G. Valpy,
“ James E. Homans,	“ Charles H. Vandyne,
“ Charles W. Homer,	“ Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D.
“ Henry E. Hovey,	“ Henry B. Walbridge, D.D.
“ Richard G. Hutton,	“ Charles S. Williams.
“ William Hyde,	

Clergy entitled to seats.

Absent from Convention.

Rev. Beverley R. Betts,
“ E. H. Canfield, D.D.
“ William C. Cooley,
“ Charles Douglas,
“ Robert W. Harris, D.D.

Rev. Benjamin S. Huntington,
“ William L. Johnson, D.D.
“ John A. Paddock,
“ Alfred H. Partridge.

Clergy not entitled to seats.

Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell,
“ J. F. Delaplaine Cornell,
“ Edward F. Edwards,
“ Charles H. Gardiner,
“ David F. MacDonald, D.D.
“ Amos D. McCoy,
“ Henry H. Morrell,
“ John G. Mulholland,

Rev. George W. Nichols,
“ Joseph D. Philip,
“ E. Franklin Remington,
“ Benjamin F. Taylor,
“ James Thompson,
“ William T. Webbe,
“ Anderson M. Wylie.

Lay Delegates to this Convention.

The names of those who were present are printed in Roman letters, and of those absent, or not heard to answer to their names, in Italics.

KINGS COUNTY.

CHRIST,	<i>Bay Ridge,</i>	Joseph A. Perry, David C. Winslow, <i>William H. Thomas.</i>
ALL SAINTS',	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	Arthur Sinclair, <i>Edward H. Baldwin,</i> Henry S. Lansdell.
ATONEMENT,	"	<i>Thomas Preston,</i> <i>Peter P. Walling,</i> George Wrightman, Jr.
CHRIST,	"	Charles R. Marvin, Charles Stanton, Lewis Morris.
EMMANUEL,	"	Henry Dudley, William Henderson, Robert P. Lee.
EVANGELISTS',	"	Thomas Wilde, Nevin W. Butler, William Poole.
GRACE,	"	Henry E. Pierrepont, Alexander V. Blake, Henry Sanger.
HOLY TRINITY,	"	Samuel E. Howard, Charles P. Thayer, John D. Cocks.
MEDIATOR,	"	Ellis S. Bloomfield, Charles Selden, William T. Anderson.
MESSIAH,	"	John Halsey, Alexander G. Johns, William N. Seymour.

AVIOUR,	Brooklyn,	<i>William S. Thompson,</i> Nelson Stafford, <i>William Dunn.</i>
IER,	"	Ferdinand Walker, Christian W. Bouck, William A. Cook.
IATION,	"	John Hawks, James S. Stearns, William H. Waring.
DREW'S,	"	Alfred B. Chasseaud, John P. Cranford.
IN'S,	"	Thomas Messenger, Andrew H. Dewitt, Henry P. Morgan.
MES',	"	D. C. Van Bokkelen, Edward F. de Selding, Daniel T. Walden.
HN'S,	"	Alfred Emmanuel, Allan N. Smith, Oliver G. Carter.
KE'S,	"	John W. Hunter, William H. Fleeman, <i>John D. Bluxome.</i>
ARK'S,	"	James M. Seabury, <i>Henry Whittaker,</i> Charles Bell.
ARY'S,	"	Seymour L. Husted, William H. Pars, Kennard Buxton.
ATTHEW'S,	"	John M. Phelps, Charles Blondell, Bailey J. Hathaway.
ICHAEL'S,	"	Charles Congdon, <i>Charles T. Middlebrook,</i> <i>Theodore N. Melvin.</i>
UL'S,	"	Jasper W. Gilbert, N. Denison Morgan, Augustus E. Masters.
TER'S,	"	John T. Walker, James S. Connell, Henry Hagner.

Diocese of Long Island.

ST. STEPHEN'S,	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	John B. Carruthers, Richard Demill, Jerome Walker.
CALVARY,	<i>Brooklyn, E. D.,</i>	John Blake, <i>Charles P. Woodworth,</i> Thomas Howe.
CHRIST,	" "	Henry B. Scholes, Alonzo Gaubert, R. A. Robertson.
GRACE,	" "	James Hall, Charles M. Church, Edwin F. Bedell.
ST. MARK'S,	" "	Jonathan Janes, David Longworth, <i>J. C. Heartt Tupper.</i>
ST. PAUL'S,	" "	Gerard Willett, Thomas W. Groser, Daniel Adee.
HOLY COMMUNION,	<i>Cypress Hills,</i>	Gilbert Sayres, John C. E. Hinrichs, Henry P. Cooper.
TRINITY,	<i>East New York,</i>	<i>Herman H. Kattenhorn,</i> Joseph F. Bridges, <i>Horace A. Miller.</i>
ST. PAUL'S,	<i>Flatbush,</i>	William Matthews, <i>Henry Johnson,</i> James T. Tapscott.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Fort Hamilton,</i>	<i>Richard Grant White,</i> Robert M. Hall, Charles J. Doyle.

QUEENS COUNTY.

REDEEMER,	<i>Astoria,</i>	William Mulligan, Edward W. Hewitt, Edward M. Hartshorne.
ST. GEORGE'S,	"	James D. Trask, <i>William R. Blackwell,</i> James M. Blackwell.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Cold Spring Harbor,</i>	<i>Charles H. Jones,</i> John D. Jones, Charles Hewlett.

ST. GEORGE'S,	<i>Flushing,</i>	<i>Murray Hoffman,</i> <i>John W. Lawrence,</i> Morris Franklin.
ST. PAUL'S,	<i>Glen Cove,</i>	<i>Thomas T. Jackson,</i> Joseph G. Russell, Samuel Frost.
ST. GEORGE'S,	<i>Hempstead,</i>	Charles Denton, <i>Samuel L. Seaman,</i> John H. Hentz.
GRACE,	<i>Jamaica,</i>	William J. Cogswell, James J. Brenton, Jeremiah Valentine.
ZION,	<i>Little Neck,</i>	John A. King, Benjamin P. Allen, Jeremiah J. Valentine.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Long Island City,</i>	William Nelson, <i>John D. Smedley,</i> David Fitzpatrick.
CHRIST,	<i>Manhasset,</i>	Andrew A. Bremner, W. Mitchell Smith, Sylvanus S. Smith.
ST. JAMES',	<i>Newtown,</i>	John J. Moore, Augustus Rapelye, Benjamin W. Strong.
CHRIST,	<i>Oyster Bay,</i>	<i>Thomas F. Youngs,</i> <i>David J. Youngs,</i> <i>John A. Weeks.</i>
ST. THOMAS',	<i>Ravenswood,</i>	John H. Williams, Ralph Post, John C. Winans.
TRINITY,	<i>Rockaway,</i>	Joseph S. Wright, George T. Hewlett, James H. Jennings.
TRINITY,	<i>Roslyn,</i>	John T. Willis, <i>Francis Skillman,</i> Henry W. Eastman.
GRACE,	<i>South Oyster Bay,</i>	David R. Floyd Jones, William Floyd Jones, Arthur Wellwood.
GRACE,	<i>Whitestone,</i>	Henry Loweree, Clinton Graham, John Barrow.

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Huntington,</i>	Edward Kissam, Samuel B. Smallwood, Hiram Paulding, Jr.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Islip,</i>	William H. Ludlow, <i>Edmund Strong,</i> <i>Andrew D. Foster.</i>
ST. MARK'S,	"	<i>Bradish Johnson,</i> William Nicoll, <i>George G. Wilmerding.</i>
CAROLINE,	<i>Setauket,</i>	Charles E. Groesbeeck, Jacob Ellison.
ST. JAMES',	<i>Smithtown,</i>	Thomas S. Seabury, Henry C. Webb, J. Lawrence Smith.

Proceedings of the Second Convention.

BROOKLYN, FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS,
Wednesday, September 29th, 1869.

This being the day fixed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Long Island, for the Annual Convention of the same, a number of the Clergy and Laity assembled for Divine Service in the Church of the Holy Trinity, in the City of Brooklyn, the place appointed by the Bishop for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read at half-past eight o'clock by the Rev. Wm. D'Orville Doty, Rector of All Saints' Church, Brooklyn, the Rev. William Schouler, Jr., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Brooklyn, assisting in the Psalter. The first Lesson was read by the Rev. J. A. Aspinwall, Rector of Christ Church, Bay Ridge, and the second Lesson by the Rev. Samuel Cox, D.D., Rector of St. James' Church, Newtown. The Rev. E. D. Cooper, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Astoria, said the Creed and the Prayers.

At ten o'clock, the Litany was said by the Rev. D. V. M. Johnson, D.D., Rector of St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Right Rev. A. N. Littlejohn, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, assisted in the Epistle by the Rev. N. H. Schenck, D.D., Rector of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, and in the Gospel by the Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D., Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, who also said the Nicene Creed. The Right Rev. the Bishop delivered his Primary Charge.

The Offertory and Prayer for the Church Militant was read by the Rev. E. Jessup, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, the Rev. W. M. Carmichael, D.D., Assistant Minister of Trinity Church, Rockaway, proceeding with the Communion-Office to the Prayer of Consecration, which was

said by the Bishop. The Rev. Doctors Diller, Schenck, Hall and Drowne, and Messrs. Stocking, Beare and Jessup assisted the Bishop in the administration: the Post-Communion was said by the Rev. J. W. Diller, D.D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, the Bishop pronouncing the Benediction.

The Bishop of the Diocese took the chair, after a short recess, and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary then proceeded, under the direction of the Bishop, to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats, when fifty-seven answered to their names, and took their seats as members.*

The Churches entitled to representation were then called over, and the Lay Delegates presented their certificates, which were examined by the Secretary and a Committee of two members, appointed by the Presiding Officer, viz.: the Hon. Jasper W. Gilbert and the Hon. John W. Hunter. The names of the Lay Delegates duly appointed were called, when delegates from fifty-one Parishes appeared and took their seats.†

A constitutional quorum being present, the Right Reverend the President declared the Convention duly organized for business.

The President announced the Seventh Rule of Order on the admission of persons not members to the sittings of the Convention.

On motion, the reading of the Rules of Order was unanimously dispensed with.

The Convention then proceeded according to the Sixth Article of the Constitution, to the appointment of a Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. CHARLES CONGDON, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, was elected Secretary.

* The names of the Clergy who attended the Convention are prefixed to the Journal, p. 10.

† The names of the Lay Delegates present in this Convention are prefixed to the Journal, pp. 12-16,

On motion of Mr. CHARLES CONGDON, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and Mr. Alexander V. Blake was elected Treasurer.

The Secretary announced to the Convention that he appointed the Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Astoria, the Assistant Secretary.

The Hon. WM. H. LUDLOW, of St. John's Church, Islip, having stated to the House his inability to present the usual Certificate of Election of Delegates from his Parish, and under the circumstances asked for admission to a seat in this Convention, in behalf of himself and the other delegates, the matter was, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Van Kleeck, referred to the Committee on Credentials, to report after the recess.

The Right Rev. the President then announced the following Standing Committees :

On the Incorporation and Admission of Churches.

The Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D., the Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES and Mr. HENRY P. MORGAN.

On the Diocesan Fund.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D., the Rev. JOHN A. ASPINWALL, Mr. AUGUSTUS E. MASTERS, Mr. CHRISTIAN W. BOUCK and Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE.

On the Treasurer's Report.

Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED, Mr. WILLIAM NICOLL and Mr. SAMUEL E. HOWARD.

On the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., the Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, Mr. JOHN A. KING and Mr. WILLIAM MULLIGAN.

On Canons.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D., the Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON, the Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, the Hon. MURRAY HOFFMAN and the Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.

Inspectors of Elections.

The Standing Committee : *For the Clerical Votes*—The Rev. MANSFIELD and Mr. HIRAM PAULDING, Jr. *For the Lay Vote.* Rev. HENRY M. BEARE and Mr. BENJAMIN W. STRONG.

The Deputies to the General Convention : *For the Clerical* The Rev. WILLIAM H. REID and Mr. JONATHAN JANES. *For t* *Votes*—The Rev. HENRY V. DEGEN and Mr. HENRY HAGNER.

The Provisional Deputies to the General Convention : *For the* *Votes*—The Rev. WM. D'ORVILLE DOTY and Mr. JOHN H. W. *For the Lay Votes*—The Rev. JOHN A. ASPINWALL and Mr. JA TAPSCOTT.

The Deputies to the Federate Council : *For the Clerical Vote.* Rev. SAMUEL COX, D.D. and Mr. CHARLES CONGDON. *For* *Votes*—The Rev. WILLIAM S. CHADWELL and Mr. HENRY SANGER

The Missionary Committee : *For the Clerical Votes*—Th DARIUS R. BREWER and Mr. WILLIAM H. WARING. *For the La* —The Rev. CHARLES S. WILLIAMS and Mr. WILLIAM H. PARS.

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund : *For the Clerical Vote* Rev. S. STEBBINS STOCKING and Mr. WILLIAM MULLIGAN. *For* *Votes*—The Rev. THOMAS R. HARRIS and Mr. JOHN D. COCKS.

The Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, from the Committee o Apportionment of the Charitable or other Funds of tl undivided Diocese of New York, presented and re: following

Report

OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE APPORTION
OF CHARITABLE OR OTHER FUNDS.

The Committee to whom was referred by the Primary Con: the consideration of the pending interests of this Diocese in Funds, of the undivided Diocese of New York, beg leave to rep they have given the subject their careful attention, and being now p to meet the Committee of Conference, proposed in the Resolut leave to ask that the Secretary of this Convention communicate Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, an copy of the Resolution, passed at the Primary Convention, accoi with a copy of the Report herewith made.

The following Resolutions are submitted in connection with the

Resolved, That this Committee be empowered to make such adjustment of the interests of this Diocese in the Funds of the undivided Diocese of New York, as may be found possible and expedient.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be instructed to communicate the original Resolution of the Primary Convention on this subject, with this Report and Resolution, to the Convention of New York, now in session, and request the appointment of a Committee of Conference.

N. H. SCHENCK, *Chairman*.

R. B. VAN KLEECK,

THOS. MALLABY,

HENRY E. PIERREPONT,

J. W. HUNTER,

C. R. MARVIN.

BROOKLYN, *September 29th*, 1869.

On motion, the Resolutions recommended in this Report were unanimously adopted.

On motion of the Rev. R. T. PEARSON, it was ordered that one thousand copies of the Charge of the Bishop delivered this morning be published for the use of this Convention, and that the same be also printed in the Journal.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, the Convention took a recess for fifteen minutes.

On re-assembling, the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, from the Committee on the Episcopal Residence, presented and read the following

Report

ON THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

The Committee on the Episcopal Residence beg to report :

That they have had, at different meetings, the subject under earnest and serious consideration, and would submit, as an account of their doings—

1st. The Committee deemed it inexpedient at that time, to purchase an Episcopal Residence.

2d. The Committee recommended that the sum of three thousand dollars for the current year, be received and paid over to the Treasurer of the Convention, towards the expenses of an Episcopal Residence.

Under the direction of the Committee, a circular was prepared by the Rev. Dr. Drowne and W. B. Leonard, Secretary of the Committee, and sent

to every Parish in the Diocese, asking for aid and co-operation in carrying out this important object.

To this appeal, but two answers were received, viz. : from Rev. Beverly R. Betts, Rector of St. Saviour's, Maspeth, \$40.00; Church of the Redeemer, Astoria, \$10.00.

In addition, the sum of \$1,000 was raised and paid by Seymour Husted, Chairman of this Committee; \$500 have been pledged by the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn; Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, has pledged \$500, and the sum of \$100 has been promised by a member of this Committee, in all, making \$2,100.

Your Committee have thus come to feel the great importance of the object, and the utter inadequacy of the means hitherto employed to attain it.

Your Committee would now recommend the immediate purchase of an Episcopal Residence. They believe, that we cannot in justice to him whom we have elected, as our Father in God, longer delay this important work, second to none which claims our attention and efforts, as a Diocese.

It challenges our regard for the apostolic office, our interest in the work of the Chief Pastor, our intelligent zeal, as churchmen, and our high sense of duty and of justice in the premises.

It is not seemly and right, in this great and growing city, the third city in the Union, the seat of our favored See, with its many churches, its great wealth and known munificence, that we should leave our Bishop, whom we have called from a noble Church and commodious Rectory, literally without a home "wherein to lay his head," compelled to dwell in "his own hired house;" or, as is now the case, to be the occupant of lodgings for himself and his family in a hotel.

If the Churchmen of Syracuse, for the comfort and profit of having their Bishop resident amongst them, have promptly and liberally provided for him a handsome residence and commodious dwelling, surely for the people of this Diocese, it should be both an easy and a pleasant work.

If the laity of the Diocese would only take hold of the matter, with their accustomed zeal and liberality, the house would soon be purchased, paid for and furnished, to the great comfort and relief of the Bishop and his family, and for the lasting credit and best interests of this new and important Diocese.

Your Committee also believe that an immediate purchase of an Episcopal Residence, will be the best and most economical arrangement for all concerned.

For the Bishop, to preclude the necessity of frequent and temporary furnishing and removals.

For the Diocese, as the interest on any sum which may be required for

the purpose, would be less than that which will be necessary for the rent, with all the advantages of permanent possession, and greater comfort.

With these views, your Committee would earnestly and unanimously recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Long Island be authorized and directed to purchase in the City of Brooklyn, as soon as practicable, an Episcopal Residence, taking the title thereof in their Corporate name, and securing such portion of the purchase money by mortgage as they shall deem necessary.

Resolved, That a Committee of fifteen Laymen be appointed to raise the funds for this purpose, and on consultation with the Bishop to procure, *at once*, a suitable house, as an Episcopal Residence for the Diocese of Long Island.

SEYMOUR L. HUSTED, *Chairman*.

R. B. VAN KLEECK, *Secretary, Pro-tem*.

September 29th, 1869.

On motion, the several resolutions recommended in this Report were unanimously adopted.

The Rev. Dr. D. V. M. JOHNSON, from the Committee on the Incorporation and Admission of Churches, presented and read the following

Report

ON THE INCORPORATION AND ADMISSION OF CHURCHES.

The Committee on the Incorporation and admission of Churches respectfully report, that they have received from the Secretary of this Convention four applications, and have found the papers correct, to wit, as follows :

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, Brooklyn, Kings County.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, Cypress Hills, New Lots, Kings County.

TRINITY CHURCH, Roslyn, Queens County.

CHURCH OF THE MEDIATOR, Brooklyn, Kings County.

In regard to Trinity Church, Roslyn, the certificate bears a fac-simile of the seal of the Corporation. The seal itself is in the hands of the engraver, and could not be obtained in time for use,

The Committee therefore recommend the admission of the aforesaid Churches into union with this Convention.

In behalf of the Committee.

D. V. M. JOHNSON, *Chairman*.

Brooklyn, September 29th, 1869.

Whereupon, on motion, the following Churches were severally received into union by this Convention, viz.:

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, Cypress Hills, Kings County.

TRINITY CHURCH, Roslyn, Queens County, and

The CHURCH OF THE MEDIATOR, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Secretary called the names of the Delegates from these Parishes, when several persons appeared and took their seats.

The Hon. J. W. GILBERT, from the Committee on Credentials, presented and read the following report, in relation to the application of the Lay Delegates from St. John's, Islip, for admission to this Convention:

Report

OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the application of Messrs. Ludlow, Strong and Fisher, to be admitted as Lay Delegates from St. John's Church, Islip, report: that the verbal statement made to the Convention that said delegates were duly and regularly elected is confirmed by the written statement contained in the letter from the Rector of said Church to the Bishop, a part of which has been just received: that statement is to the effect that General Ludlow was by mistake barely elected. This is equivalent to a certificate of his election, and whether such election was by a bare majority or otherwise, or whether the secret intentions of the members of the vestry were evinced by their actual votes is immaterial.

No question as to the election of Messrs. Strong and Fisher has been made by the Rector or Clerk; on the contrary both of them admit the validity of these elections.

The Committee therefore recommend, that all of said delegates from St. John's Church, Islip, be admitted to seats in the Convention, with all the rights and privileges of Lay Delegates.

J. W. GILBERT,
JOHN W. HUNTER.

Brooklyn, November 20, 1882.

Whereupon, on motion, the Delegates from this Parish were ordered to be admitted, their names were called, and those present took their seats.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Convention was presented, and referred to the Standing Committee on the subject.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, the following Resolution, proposed in the Report on the Constitution and Canons at the Primary Convention, and printed in the Proceedings, pages 33 and 34, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention approve such an alteration in Art. VIII. of the Constitution that it shall read, "The Constitution may be altered by the Annual Convention of the Diocese, if a majority of the two Orders, voting separately, adopt such alteration, after one day's previous notice, and after it has been referred to the Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons, or reported by them," and that this Resolution lie over for the approval of the next Convention.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, presented the following Report, and the proposed Constitution and Canons, in printed form, with the exception of certain specified alterations:

Report

OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Committee appointed to present a draft of Constitution and Canons for the Diocese of Long Island, respectfully report:

The increase of Dioceses in our country, the adoption of a policy which tends to multiply them, and the proposal for federate union of Dioceses, open a new and important era in the Church, and one that is full of auspicious auguries. Within the past year three new Dioceses have been established in the State of New York. Their Conventions have appointed committees to report Constitutions and Canons for their government. Your Committee have sought concert of action with these committees, in the hope that a uniform system, carefully and wisely prepared, and which would commend itself to the two parent Dioceses, might be adopted. They have felt the great importance of such uniformity in view of the Federate Council authorized by Canon of the General Convention, for which the three new Dioceses have prepared by the appointment of delegates.

The Diocese of New York, at the Convention of 1868, resolved that

a Primary Council should be called by the Bishop so soon as the General Convention should authorize the confederation.

The General Convention of 1868 passed the following as Canon 8 of Title III. :

CANON 8.

Authorizing the formation of a Federate Convention or Council of the Diocese within any State.

It is hereby declared lawful for the Dioceses now existing, or hereafter exist, within the limits of any State or Commonwealth, to establish for themselves a Federate Convention or Council, representing such Dioceses, which may deliberate and decide upon the common interests of the Church within the limits aforesaid, but before any determinate action of such Convention or Council shall be had, the powers proposed to be exercised thereby shall be submitted to the General Convention for its approval.

Nothing in this Canon shall be construed as forbidding any Federate Council from taking such action as they may deem necessary to secure such legislative enactments as the common interests of the Church in the State may require.

The power to form the Federate Council is thus recognized. That such Council may seek legislative enactments is sanctioned absolutely. The extent of its authority in other matters is to be settled by the Council, but must be approved by the General Convention.

What powers shall be conferred upon the Federate Council, which may be called during the coming year, be called together, is a question which will come early before the Convention of our Diocese. Its decisions may modify the Canons proposed in this report or any adopted by the Convention.

The sources of the authority of the Federate Council must be either the Diocesan Conventions or the General Convention. Perhaps some of the powers that may be exercised by the former as to the internal polity of the Dioceses may be delegated. It is not seen that there is any restriction upon their right of transfer. What it may be advisable to give up also requires deliberation.

But as to what can be delegated or sanctioned by the General Convention, and ought to be so delegated or sanctioned, is a question of much greater moment in principle, and of equal importance practically.

There is a class of subjects over which the authority of the General Convention is unlimited, exclusive, and cannot be transferred to any other body or agency.

By the seventh article of the Constitution, conformity to the *Doctrines and Worship* of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, is required of all admitted to Holy Orders.

By the term "doctrine" here used, seems to be meant the propositions of Faith which the Church has adopted and announced. They are found

especially in the Creeds. By the term "worship" are indicated the Rites, Ceremonies and Offices used and established by the Church, or, in the language of the Preface to our own Book of Common Prayer, and to that of the Church of England, "the particular forms of divine worship, and the Rites and Ceremonies used therein."

The original Dioceses bound themselves by the Constitution in 1789. Every Diocese since admitted has acceded to such Constitution. For all it is paramount.

A careful examination of the Constitution assures your Committee upon one great point. The General Convention, which is the representative, not of the Conventions or even of Dioceses, but of all the members of the Church in every Diocese, was established and is supported to maintain conformity in doctrine and worship for the whole Church in the United States. Whatever justly falls within this province and office is exclusively within its jurisdiction. It is a sacred trust committed solely to it, and does not admit of being transferred or shared. The maxim of Civil Law, that a trust demanding the exercise of judgment and discretion, cannot be delegated to others, applies here with paramount force.

When this principle is applied to the Constitution of the Church in detail, it is found that every Article, except a clause of the Fourth, and a portion of the Sixth, concerns powers of necessity exclusive and incommunicable. The clause of the Fourth vests the mode of choosing Bishops in the Conventions of a Diocese. The Sixth relates to the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons, which *may* be instituted by the Convention of a Diocese.

With such exceptions, the Articles and their subjects, and every Canon to carry them into effect, are within the sole jurisdiction of the General Convention, and no other body can legislate upon them, nor acquire a power to do so, while our Church and its Convention remain as now constituted.

The whole of Title I. of the Digest, with perhaps two exceptions, is of this character. The whole of Title III., except, perhaps, as to Standing Committees, and all of Title IV., are equally so.

But your Committee apprehend that there is a sphere of legislation within the power of the General Convention, which it may devolve upon another body, or, rather, it may acquiesce in its exercise by another body. This relates to discipline, that is, the specification, examination, and correction of offences.

Article IV. of the Constitution, from 1789 to 1808, provided that the mode of trying clergymen *shall* be instituted by the Church in every State. In 1808 it was declared that in every Diocese the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons *may* be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. Thus in 1808 the power was left concurrent, but when

exercised by the General Convention, its legislation must supersede that of the Dioceses, past or future.

That such legislation by the General Convention might be taken, and a uniform mode be established throughout the Church, a joint committee of the two Houses was appointed in 1853, consisting of Bishops Hopkins, Whittingham, Delancy and Upfold, and Rev. Drs. (now Bishop) Stevens, Mead, Higbee, A. H. Vinton, and Messrs. Judge Chambers, Judge Hoffman, Hugh Davy Evans and Philip Williams. After careful labors they reported, in 1856, a system for the trial and discipline of all ministers which may be found in the Appendix of the Journal of the Convention that year. It failed in its adoption, for reasons manifest to the members of the Convention, and which did not involve the question either of legality or general expediency. Afterwards, at the suggestion of Rev. Dr. Hawks, the project of a full methodized code of Canons was brought before the Convention of New York. It was reported in 1861. Circumstances have prevailed against its full consideration and adoption.

The body of Canons proposed by your Committee is taken substantially from the report submitted to the General Convention, and from the code presented to the Convention of New York, to which reference has been made.

If the expectation of a Federate Council is realized, it is very probable that the power of discipline will be conferred upon that body. Next to the universal conformity, which a law of the General Convention would have insured, this will be the best substitute which can at present be obtained.

That the views entertained by the Committee may be better understood, and in the hope that closer uniformity may be secured in the Dioceses formed within the State of New York, the Committee present a note a form of Canon or resolution or declaration which may be passed by the Convention, and which enumerates the powers to be exercised, approved by the General Convention.*

* NOTE.—The Diocese of Long Island concurs in the exercise by the Federate Council established by the Union of the Dioceses in the State of New York, powers upon the subjects following, and no other :

1. The specification of the offences for which a Presbyter or Deacon shall be liable to inquiry, or presentment and trial, provided that the offences enumerated in Section I., Canon 9, Title II. of the Digest be comprised therein.

2. The mode of inquiry into offences, and of prosecuting for the same ; the constitution of Courts or Boards, their mode of proceeding and decision, and the sentences to be pronounced ; provided that Section I., of Canon 2, of Title II. of the Digest, and of Canon 10 of the same Title to be part thereof.

3. Concerning the dissolution of the Pastoral connexion with the concurrence of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

But whatever powers may be granted to the Federate Council or withheld, the period of the creation of the new Dioceses in the State is plainly the most opportune that is likely ever to occur, for securing uniformity in the several Dioceses, upon the important points of canonical legislation.

In imitation of the Digest, which has met with much approval, the Canons in the accompanying draft are arranged in Articles, Canons, Sections and Clauses. The Committee have sought to distribute the provisions and class them under some comprehensive title, embracing matters of a connected character. The same principle is observed which guided those who framed the Digest, that is, to give to a marked and separate subject a separate Canon, and to limit a canon to a single subject. Under Article I. are arranged Ministers, the Convention, the Standing Committee, the Missionary Board—all cognate subjects. A very distinct topic, Discipline, is the subject of Article II., broken into numerous Canons. A few provisions of a miscellaneous nature are disposed of in Article III.

The Committee, in closing their report, and presenting the draft herewith submitted, pray the favor of our Lord that the interests of His Church, not only in the Diocese of Long Island, but throughout all the Dioceses of the State, may be advanced by their labors.

ALEXANDER BURGESS,
EDWARD JESSUP,
MURRAY HOFFMAN,
D. R. FLOYD JONES.

BROOKLYN, *May*, 1869.

On motion, the Proposed Constitution and Canons were referred to the Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Dr. HALL, the Rev. Mr. MOORE, the Rev. Dr. HASKINS and the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, gave notice of certain alterations of the Proposed Constitution and Canons, which they designed to bring before the House to-morrow.

4. Concerning differences between Rectors or Ministers of Parishes and the Vestry or Congregation, when the same cannot be settled among themselves.

5. Concerning Parish boundaries, not settled by law or charter, and the mode of constituting new Parishes, and organizing new Churches.

6. Respecting missionary, educational, or charitable objects, or institutions connected with the Church in such Dioceses.

7. The reduction of the number of Deputies to the General Convention from the several Dioceses, as under Article III. of Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HALL, it was Ordered that all further alterations of the Constitution and Canons, if proposed this evening to the Committee on Canons, shall be regarded the same as though made in open Convention.

The Rev. Dr. HASKINS proposed and read the following Minutes and Resolutions of Fraternal Greeting from this Convention to the Conventions of the Dioceses of New York, and of Albany :

Minute

ADDRESSED TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

Whereas, it is a remarkable fact, and one unprecedented in the history of the Church in this Country, that there should be as there are, *three* Dioceses assembled simultaneously in Convention, and that within the limits of one State ; and

Whereas, these have all been, until recently, associated in one body, and are now affiliated by strong ties of affection, therefore,

Resolved, The Bishop concurring, that this Convention hereby sends greeting to the Mother Diocese, now assembled in the City of New York, and assures her of our grateful recollections of the joint counsels, the united labors, and the brotherly fellowship of all the years during which we were of the same household and under the same head with her.

Resolved, That in this recollection, aside from all considerations of duty, we see abundant reason to hope that in all that concerns the welfare of the Church, and the glory of God, the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the two Dioceses will be found working together with one mind and one heart, with their strength increased and their unity unimpaired by the division.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by the Chair to convey these resolutions to the Convention of the Diocese of New York.

BROOKLYN, *September 29th*, 1869.

Minute

ADDRESSED TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

Resolved, That the same Committee be directed to send the following telegram to the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Albany, now assembled in that City :

Resolved, The Bishop concurring, that we the members of the Diocese of Long Island, now assembled in the City of Brooklyn, hereby greet our brethren, the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocesan Convention of Albany, with sincere assurances of our fraternal sympathy and love, and of our prayers that in all their work they may be guided by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost.

BROOKLYN, *September 29th*, 1869.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, the Minutes and Resolutions were adopted unanimously.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT appointed as the Committee to transmit the foregoing Resolutions to the Conventions of the Dioceses of New York and Albany, the Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D.D., the Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D.D., the Rev. William H. Moore, Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont and the Hon. David R. Floyd Jones.

The Convention then adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Second Day.

THURSDAY, *September 30th, Nine o'clock A. M.*

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Thomas Cook, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Jamaica, the Right Rev. the Bishop pronouncing the Absolution. The Lessons were read by the Rev. J. W. Buckmaster, Rector of St. James' Church, Smithtown. The Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., said the Creed and Prayers.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese took the Chair.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The names of Clerical Members, and of Lay Delegates, not present yesterday, were called, when several persons answered to their names and took their seats.

The Report of the Missionary Committee was presented and read by the Hon. William H. Ludlow, as follows:

Report

OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Missionary Committee respectfully report:

That the number of Missionaries in the Diocese is twelve. The Treasurer has been enabled to pay their stipends as they have fallen due.

In the last Convention of the Diocese of New York, and in view of its expected division, the Missionary Committee of that Diocese offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the present stipends to the Missionaries be continued through the year of their appointments, and after April next, till our next Convention, this Diocesan Missionary Committee be authorized to give the amount of the salaries due said Missionaries to the Missionary Committees of the new Dioceses.

This resolution was next acted upon by that Convention.

The Missionaries of Long Island have received their stipends from the Committee of the Diocese of New York, to January 1st, 1869.

From and after that date, the stipends of the Missionaries in Suffolk and Queens Counties have been paid by this Committee, and the Stations continued in those counties to the 1st October, 1869. In addition hereto, this Committee assumed the payment to these Missionaries of the amounts respectively pledged to them by the Convocation of Queens and Suffolk Counties.

The receipts from the organization of this Diocese to this date, are \$4,218 13. Paid to Missionaries and for donations for Missionary purposes in same period, \$1,987 48; leaving a balance of \$2,230 65; from which is to be paid \$1,392 50—the amount due Missionaries on October 1st, 1869. The whole amount of contributions to Diocesan Missions from the Parishes on Long Island, before the organization of our Diocese, for any one year, say from October 1st, 1867 to October 1st, 1868, was \$1,621 92, while since our organization and in fact since the 7th day of January, 1869, (the date of the first meeting of the Missionary Committee, and being a period of less than nine months) there has been collected and paid in to your Committee, the sum as above stated of \$4,218 13, an increase of over 350 per cent.

To this, as presenting one of the many striking proofs of the life and vitality of the Diocese, your Committee with pride and pleasure invite the attention of the Convention.

The following is a list of Missionary Stations and Missionaries, with the date of their original appointment:

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

Greenport—Rev. G. G. Hepburn, January, 1868.

Patchogue—Rev. Charles Douglas, April, 1863.

Sag Harbor—Rev. D. F. MacDonald, D.D., April, 1865.

Setauket—Rev. F. M. Noll, April, 1858.

QUEENS COUNTY.

Hunter's Point—Rev. W. H. Neilson, Jr., April, 1868.

KINGS COUNTY.

Church of the Evangelists, of Brooklyn—Rev. B. S. Huntington, April, 1869.

Prisons and Public Institutions—Mrs. J. Fellows, April, 1869.

18th Ward Mission Station, St. Barnabas—Rev. H. A. Dows, April, 1869.

Cypress Hills—Rev. George Sayres, April, 1869.

14th Ward Mission Station—St. Mark's Mission, April, 1869.

Greenfield—Rev. J. A. Egerton, June, 1869. •

St. Thomas—Rev. Alvah Guion, April, 1869.

All appointments of Missionaries in the Diocese are terminable on the 1st October, 1869.

WM. H. LUDLOW, *Secretary.*

BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE'S TREASURER'S REPORT.

Collections.....	\$4,218 13
Payments to Missionaries.....	1,987 48
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Balance October 1st, 1869.....	2,230 65
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Due to Missionaries and not paid, October 1st, 1869...	1,392 50
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Which when paid will leave a balance of.....	\$838 15
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J. W. GREENE,

Treasurer of the Missionary Committee.

BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

The Report of the Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report was presented and read by the Secretary :

Report

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

The Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, in account with Alexander V. Blake, Treasurer.

1868.

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Nov. 19.	Paid	Rev. G. G. Hepburn, Mileage.....	\$7 00
"	"	" Dr. MacDonald, "	7 70
"	"	" R. Riley, "	2 90
"	"	" S. S. Stocking, "	2 10
"	"	" Dr. Carmichael, "	1 50
20.	"	for Cash Book, \$9 00; Record Book, \$1 12..	10 12
"	"	" Postage stamps, \$5 00; envelopes, 84c....	5 84
"	"	C. F. Bloom's bill for printing.....	4 00
27.	"	J. Sarells " " "	2 00
		Counterfeit bill taken Nov. 19.....	10 00

Dr.

9.	Paid for Journals of Convention Diocese of New York	31 50
4.	" Rev. Dr. Drowne, for sundry disbursements...	11 71
10.	" Leavitt, Strebeigh & Co., for Digest of Canons	1 13
12.	" Rev. Dr. Hoffman, on acc. Consecration service	100 00
16.	" " " bal. of expense for do.	154 14
24.	" Rev. Dr. Burgess, for printing for Stand. Com'e	75 75
✓ 10.	" account Wm. H. Arthur & Co., " "	41 50
13.	" for Journals of Western New York.....	3 62
22.	" American Church Press Co. bill.....	77 00
"	" " " " " printing Journal..	353 78
✓ 10.	" G. F. Nesbit & Co., bill for 450 copies Report	93 63
"	" Rev. Dr. Burgess, for stamps and stationery...	4 30
23.	" H. M. Gardner, for bill of printing.....	20 00
"	" Brooklyn Daily Union, "	4 00
"	" E. B. Spooner & Son, "	3 00
"	" Rev. Dr. Drowne, for sundry disbursements...	19 72
	Balance to new account.....	4 37

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✓ 19.	Received from St. John's Church, Huntington....	\$12 50
"	" " Zion's " Little Neck....	15 00
"	" " St. Peter's " Brooklyn.....	60 00
"	" " Grace " Jamaica.....	18 00
"	" " Trinity " Rockaway.....	7 50
"	" " St. George's " Flushing.....	20 00
30.	" " Redcemer " Astoria.....	30 00
"	" " St. Mark's " Islip.....	15 00
1.	" " Holy Trinity " Brooklyn.....	90 00
3.	" " Our Saviour " "	27 00
4.	" " Grace " Whitestone....	27 00
7.	" " St. Paul's " Flatbush.....	22 50
"	" " St. John's " Fort Hamilton..	15 00
12.	" " " " Long Island City.	9 00
14.	" " Christ " Sag Harbor.....	9 75
16.	" " St. Saviour's " Maspeth.....	12 00
17.	" " St. John's " Islip.....	5 00
4.	" " St. Mark's " Williamsburgh..	30 00
"	" " St. Ann's " Brooklyn....	120 00

Jan.	25.	Received from St. George's Church, Astoria.....	22 50
Feb.	4.	“ “ St. Paul's “ Brooklyn.....	30 00
	13.	“ “ Grace “ “ Heights.	60 00
	15.	“ “ Christ “ Williamsburgh .	45 00
	17.	“ “ Trinity “ East New York.	15 00
	18.	“ “ Christ “ Bay Ridge.....	30 00
	24.	“ “ St. John's “ Brooklyn.....	45 00
March	13.	“ “ Caroline “ Brookhaven....	1 50
	19.	“ “ Ascension “ Greenpoint.....	30 00
	25.	“ “ Reformation “ Brooklyn.....	30 00
	“	“ “ Christ “ “	52 50
	29.	“ “ St. Matthew's “ “	14 00
	30.	“ “ Redeemer “ “	30 00
April	7.	“ “ St. Paul's “ Glen Cove.....	13 50
	20.	“ “ St. George's “ Hempstead	13 30
	21.	“ “ Grace “ S. Oyster Bay..	9 75
May	12.	“ “ St. Luke's “ Brooklyn.....	19 01
July	12.	“ “ St. James' “ Newtown.....	27 00
Sept.	3.	“ “ St. Stephen's “ Brooklyn.....	12 00
	10.	“ “ St. John's “ Islip.....	5 00
	22.	“ “ St. Paul's “ Patchogue.....	2 00
			<u>\$1,052 31</u>
Sept.	28.	To Balance on hand.....	4 37

E.E. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*
 BROOKLYN, *Sept. 28th*, 1869.

The Standing Committee on the Treasurer's accounts, respectfully report :

That they have examined the said accounts, and compared the same with the vouchers, and found them correct ; and that there is now in the hands of the Treasurer four dollars and thirty-seven cents (\$4 37).

S. L. HUSTED,
 WILLIAM NICOLL.

BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT, requested the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK to take the Chair.

The Report of the Committee on the Salary of the Bishop was presented and read by the Secretary :

Report

OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.

The Committee on the Salary of the Bishop would respectfully report : that having been directed by the Primary Convention to make an equitable apportionment on the several Parishes of this Diocese, of a sum, which in addition to the income of the Episcopal Fund would be sufficient to meet the amount pledged by the Convention (\$6,000) for the support of the Episcopate, they, early in the year, addressed a circular to all the parishes, asking from each a specified sum for this purpose.

From the Treasurer's Report it will appear that to this date there has been received from forty-six parishes the sum of \$2,553 84, and that several parishes have not as yet paid in their assessments. It appears also from his report that, from the non-payment of these dues, there is the sum of \$1,217 02 at present due to the Bishop.

The Committee desire especially to call the attention of the Convention to the fact that while the income of the Episcopal fund remains inadequate to the support pledged by the Convention to the Bishop, it will be necessary to rely upon continued annual assessments upon the parishes, and they would strongly urge the necessity of prompt payment, as the same may be called for, so that the obligations of the Convention to the Bishop may be fully and honorably met.

Your Committee would therefore offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to make an equitable apportionment among the Parishes of this Diocese, of a sum which, with the income of the Episcopal Fund, will meet the amount pledged by Convention for payment to the Bishop for the ensuing year, and that the same be payable half on the first of January and half on the first of July ; and further, that the Committee be directed to collect the assessments from parishes in arrears.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE, *Chairman.*

D. V. M. JOHNSON,

WILLIAM H. MOORE,

ALEXANDER V. BLAKE,

WILLIAM B. LEONARD,

HENRY P. MORGAN,

CHARLES R. MARVIN.

BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

The Treasurer's Report of the Fund for the Salary of the Bishop :

*The Diocese of Long Island, for funds received for the Bishop's
Salary, in account with Alexander V. Blake, Treasurer.*

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Feb. 5.	Paid Bishop Littlejohn, on account Feb. salary	\$250 00
24.	" balance " "	250 00
April 1.	" April salary	500 00
17.	" March salary and interest . .	504 38
May 1.	" May salary	500 00
31.	" June "	500 00
Aug. 3.	" August salary	500 00
Sept. 4.	" July salary and interest . . .	506 04
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		\$3,510 42
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Sept. 28.	Balance due the Treasurer	\$217 02

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Feb. 9.	Received from Church of Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.	\$140 00
13.	" " Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights . .	140 00
24.	" " St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma . .	7 00
Mar. 4.	" " St. John's " Huntington . . .	20 00
11.	" " Grace " S. Oyster Bay .	17 50
"	" " Ch'ch of Redeemer, Astoria, on acct.	24 00
19.	" " Church of Ascension, Greenpoint.	14 00
22.	" " St. George's Church, Flushing . . .	105 00
24.	" " Trinity Church, East New York . .	28 00
25.	" " St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn	105 00
"	" " Reformation, Brooklyn	70 00
"	" " Christ Church, "	105 00
27.	" " St. Paul's " "	35 00
29.	" " St. Matthew's " " on account.	17 50
30.	" " Redeemer, "	105 00
April 3.	" " St. James' Church, Smithtown, " .	3 25
5.	" " Christ Church, Bay Ridge	52 50
9.	" " St. Saviour's Church, Maspeth . . .	26 50
12.	" " St. John's " Greenfield . . .	7 00
16.	" " J. D. Jones, Treas. of Episc. Fund.	161 36
19.	" " Christ Church, Williamsburgh . . .	245 00
29.	" " Zion's Church, Little Neck	35 00
May 11.	" " St. Mary's Ch'ch, Brooklyn, on acct.	50 00
25.	" " J. D. Jones, Treas. of Episc. Fund.	532 60

ne	1.	Received from St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn....	70 00
	4.	“ “ St. James’ “ “	140 00
	7.	“ “ St. John’s “ Islip.....	10 00
	“	“ “ St. Barnabas’ “ Sayville.....	10 00
	8.	“ “ St. Paul’s “ Flatbush.....	40 05
	“	“ “ St. Mark’s “ Islip.....	17 50
	18.	“ “ St. James’ “ Smithtown, on . account.....	3 00
	23.	Received from St. George’s Church, Hempstead..	49 89
	29.	“ “ St. Paul’s Ch’ch, Glen Cove, on act.	25 00
	30.	“ “ Grace Church, Williamsburgh....	28 00
ily	8.	“ “ St. James’ “ Smithtown, balance	6 00
	“	“ “ Christ “ Oyster Bay.....	49 00
	12.	“ “ St. James’ “ Newtown.....	60 00
	21.	“ “ Grace “ Jamaica.....	70 00
Aug.	4.	“ “ St. George’s Church, Astoria	105 00
	11.	“ “ Grace Church, Whitestone, on act.	40 00
	23.	“ “ Caroline “ Brookhaven.....	7 00
Sept	3.	“ “ St. Stephen’s Church, Brooklyn...	35 00
	7.	“ “ All Saint’s “ “ ..	21 00
	9.	“ “ St. Paul’s “ Williamsburgh	15 70
	10.	“ “ “ “ Patchogue...	5 00
	“	“ “ St. John’s “ Brooklyn	100 00
	11.	“ “ Grace Church, Whitestone, balance.	30 00
	16.	“ “ Atonement, Brooklyn.....	21 00
	17.	“ “ St. Mark’s “ W’msb., on act..	40 00
	23.	“ “ J. D. Jones, Treas. of Episc. Fund.	45 60
	25.	“ “ St. Paul’s Church, Flatbush.....	28 45
	28.	“ “ St. Ann’s “ Brooklyn.....	175 00
		Balance to new account, due the Treasurer.....	217 02
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E.E. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

BROOKLYN, *September 28th, 1869.*

Examined and found correct,

S. L. HUSTED,

WILLIAM NICOLL,

Committee on Treasurer’s Report.

Upon the call of the Convention, the following list of Parishes which have not yet paid their assessments to the Fund for the Bishop’s Salary, was read :

Evangelists', Brooklyn, Rev. B. S. Huntington.....	\$21	∞
Our Saviour, " " W. M. Postlethwaite.....	35	∞
St. Mark's, " " Thomas F. Cornell.....	14	∞
St. Michael's, " " Vacant.....	14	∞
St. Thomas' " Rev. Alvah Guion.....	7	∞
Calvary, " E. D., Rev. Francis Peck.....	70	∞
St. Paul's " " " W. A. W. Maybin, balance.	36	80
St. John's, Fort Hamilton, " Henry E. Hovey.....	35	00
St. Thomas', Ravenswood, " Charles H. Vandyne.....	35	00
St. John's, Long Island City, Rev. W. H. Neilson, Jr....	28	00
Christ, Manhasset, Rev. James E. Homans.....	28	00
Holy Trinity, Greenport, Rev. George G. Hepburn.....	7	00

On motion of Mr. B. J. HATHAWAY, it was

Resolved, That the subject of collecting the amount of arrears due for the support of the Episcopate be referred to the Committee on the Apportionment, to correct any errors, and report during the sitting of Convention.

On motion of the Hon. J. W. GILBERT, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on the Bishop's Salary make the apportionment mentioned in the Report, and present the same to the Convention with their further report.

The Rev. Dr. SCHENCK took the Chair.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS presented and read the Report of the Standing Committee of the Diocese:

Report

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Long Island respectfully report the following meetings and official acts:

November 24th, 1868. The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, was chosen President and the Rev. Dr. Burgess, Secretary. The President and Secretary were appointed to carry out the direction of the Convention, and take the necessary steps to secure the consecration of the Bishop elect. Stated meetings were directed to be held on Mondays of the Ember Weeks, throughout the year.

December 7th, 1868. The Committee asked the Presiding Bishop to appoint the consecration of the Bishop elect within the limits of the Diocese.

December 14th, 1868. The consent of the Committee to the ordina-

tion and consecration of the Rev. William Croswell Doane, D.D., as Bishop of Albany, and the testimonials on behalf of Joshua Kimber, applying to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons, were signed.

January 7th, 1869. The Committee concurred in the election of the Right Rev. Henry Champlin Lay, D.D., to the Episcopate of Easton, and gave their consent thereto.

February 15th, 1869. The consent of the Committee was given to the consecration of the Rev. Frederick Dan Huntington, D.D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Central New York.

The proper certificate on behalf of William Berrian Hooper, applying to be admitted a candidate for holy orders, was signed.

April 6th, 1869. The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, resigned his place as member of the Committee, on account of his expected removal from the Diocese. The Rev. Eli H. Canfield, D.D., was duly elected to fill the vacancy thus caused. The Rev. Dr. Burgess was then elected President of the Committee and the Rev. Mr. Paddock, Secretary.

May 17th, 1869. The Rev. Mr. Paddock being absent from the country, the Rev. Dr. Drowne was elected Secretary for the remainder of the year. Testimonials were signed on behalf of Henry A. Dows, applying to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons, and of the Rev. Henry V. Degen, applying to be ordained Priest.

June 26th, 1869. The proper certificates on behalf of Henry B. Cornwell and of John J. A. Morgan, applying to be admitted candidates for holy orders, were signed.

September 27th, 1869. The proper certificates on behalf of John C. Hewlett and Oliver S. Taylor, applying to be admitted candidates for holy orders, were signed. The President of the Standing Committee was requested to present the annual report to the Convention.

At several of the above meetings the Committee approved of various bills against the Diocese, and recommended them to be paid by the Treasurer.

For the Committee,

ALEXANDER BURGESS, *President.*

BROOKLYN, *September 30th, 1869.*

The Report of the Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary, was presented and read by the Secretary :

Report

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary, respectfully report :

That the Constitution of the General Theological Seminary, Art. III., provides that the Board of Trustees shall be permanently constituted as follows:—The Bishops of the Church shall be *ex officio* members of the Board. Every Diocese shall be entitled to one Trustee, and one additional Trustee for every eight clergymen in the same; and to one additional Trustee for every two thousand dollars of moneys in any way given or contributed in the same to the funds of the Seminary, until the sum amounts to ten thousand dollars; and one additional Trustee for every ten thousand dollars of contributions and donations, as aforesaid, exceeding that sum.

The Constitution further provides, that the Trustees shall be nominated by the Diocesan Conventions respectively, to every stated General Convention, which may confirm or reject such nominations.

In ascertaining the amount contributed from Long Island, the Committee, without having obtained the exact details from the Diocesan Journals or the Treasurer's Reports, are of opinion that the contributions of parishes for many years past, and the donations of individuals, cannot fall short of \$30,000. In their judgment, the donation from Miss Elizabeth Ludlow, late of Flatbush, L. I., of \$2,000 for founding a scholarship, and more recently, of \$25,000 as the Endowment Fund of a professorship of Ecclesiastical Polity and Law, may be justly considered as contributed from this Diocese, although at the time it constituted a part of the Diocese of New York. If this view be correct, the Diocese of Long Island will be entitled to nineteen Trustees:

The Diocese as such is entitled to.....	1
The number of Clergy is 90; the ratio of one Trustee to every 8 Clergymen will give.....	11
The amount of money contributed by the Diocese is \$30,000; the ratio of one Trustee for every \$2,000, to the amount of \$10,000, is.....	5
And one Trustee for every \$10,000 above that sum will give...	2
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Making total of Trustees.....	19

The Committee, in presenting the names of persons to be elected Trustees, in addition to the present Trustees resident in the Diocese, viz. :

Rev. Thomas Mallaby,	The Rev. Rob't B. Van Kleeck, D.D.,
Samuel M. Haskins, D.D.,	" Charles H. Hall, D.D.,
William Moore,	" Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.,
Alexander Burgess, D.D.,	Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont.

Would nominate the following :

Rev. D. V. M. Johnson, D.D.,	The Hon. Murray Hoffman,
J. Carpenter Smith, D.D.,	" D. R. Floyd Jones,
T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.,	Mr. John A. King,
Samuel Cox, D.D.,	" William Nicoll,
Edmund D. Cooper.	" Alexander V. Blake,
	" William Mulligan.

The Committee would further call your attention to the financial condition of the Seminary. From the last annual Report of its Standing Committee, it appears that the estimated expenses for 1869-70, are \$13,763, while the estimated income is but \$19,650, leaving a deficiency of \$5,763. Eventually, when the remaining vacant lots, owned by the Seminary, are leased, a sufficient amount will be realized for current expenses; but until then, aid is needed to make up this deficiency, and to free the property from additional incumbrances for current expenses. Under these circumstances, your Committee think it highly important that the Churches of our Diocese be requested to contribute towards the ordinary necessities of this Institution, from which many of our clergy have been graduated, and for which all the friends of theological education must cherish a deep interest.

Our Committee would offer for adoption the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the persons named in this Report be, and are hereby, nominated to the General Convention, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, in the part of the Diocese of Long Island.

Resolved, That it is hereby recommended by the Convention of this Diocese that the Rectors and officiating Ministers in charge of the Parishes in this Diocese, to make, at some time during the ensuing Conventional year, a collection in aid of the current expenses of the General Theological Seminary.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE,
THOS. MALLABY,
HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
JOHN A. KING,
ALEXANDER V. BLAKE,

Committee.

ALBANY, September 30th, 1869.

In motion of the Rev. Mr. JESSUP, the first resolution recommended in the Report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. COOK, the second resolution recommended in the Report was adopted.

The Report of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, was presented by the Rev. GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, D.D., and read by the Secretary:

Report

OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING RELIGION AND LEARNING.

To the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island:

The Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, as the Canonical Agent for distributing all funds raised for theological education, would most respectfully report:

That by Canon XV. of the Diocese of New York, adopted in 1842, and which is still unrepealed, the business of distributing all funds that may be raised for the educating young men for holy orders is committed to the Society, styled, "the Protestant Episcopal Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York," which shall make a full annual report to the Convention of the application of all moneys paid into its treasury under the provisions of this Canon, or by the Treasurer of the Convention, from any source.

In accordance with these Canonical provisions, the undersigned feels it to be his duty and privilege to submit the following brief report, on behalf of the above named Society to the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, and most respectfully to invite the attention of the Convention to a consideration of the subject of the support of theological education as provided for by the Canon, and to request that such action may be taken by the Convention, as may be deemed advisable in view of the change of relation between the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, and the present Diocese of Long Island, consequent upon its separation from the Diocese of New York.

Amount of money expended in support of Theological Education and Learning in the State of New York, during the year, from October, 1868 to October, 1869.

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Paid 14 Students of the Senior Class.....	\$2,361 00
" 23 Students of the Middle Class.....	4,848 00
" 17 Students of the Junior Class.....	3,776 00
" for fuel for Boarding Club.....	204 00
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Total General Theological Seminary.....	\$11,189 00

COLUMBIA COLLEGE.

Paid 4 Students..... \$400 00

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

Paid 41 Students..... \$7,402 00

" Professors..... 3,500 00

Total St. Stephen's College..... \$10,902 00

RECAPITULATION.

Paid to General Theological Seminary..... \$11,189 00

" " Columbia College..... 400 00

" " St. Stephen's College..... 10,902 00

Total..... \$22,491 00

Contributions received from Parishes during the current year up to date (September 29th, 1869,)..... \$1,019 77

In conclusion, the Superintendent would say, that several students in St. Stephen's College and the General Theological Seminary, thus aided, belong to the Diocese of Long Island, and that it is the wish of the Society to make no distinction in granting its benefactions, on the ground of Diocesan divisions, within the limits of the State of New York.

It is indeed greatly to be lamented, that the contributions to the treasury of the Society are so very small. The Society for Promoting Religion and Learning does all that it can do; it gives until it has no more to give; applicants remain unprovided for in large numbers, and are on the increase. The Parishes of the Dioceses are expected to supplement the twenty-one thousand dollars given by the Society in aid of theological education: the response to this expectation comes in at last, and the whole amount contributed by the Parishes of the three Dioceses of Long Island, New York and Albany, for this all important object, as provided for by Canon, will not exceed fifteen hundred dollars.

This apathy and indifference to the pressing needs of those seeking the Ministry ought not to continue.

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR,

Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York.

General Theological Seminary, N. Y.

FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, 1869.

The Right Rev. the BISHOP of the Diocese appeared and took the chair. He then delivered his

FIRST ANNUAL ADDRESS.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to Missionary Work in the Diocese, to the Church Charity Foundation, to Church Schools and Christian Education, be committed to three Special Committees, who shall report upon their several topics to the present Convention.

The Right Rev. the Bishop appointed the following Committees under the resolution :

On Diocesan Missions: The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., the Rev. D. V. M. Johnson, D.D., the Rev. William H. Moore, M.D., Mr. Sayres and Mr. Kennard Buxton.

On the Church Charity Foundation: The Rev. N. H. Schenck, D.D., the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., the Rev. Thomas Cook, D.D., D. Cocks and Mr. William Matthews.

On Church Schools and Christian Education: The Rev. C. Hall, D.D., the Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., the Rev. T. Valpy, Mr. Charles Congdon and Mr. William H. Fleeman.

Mr. RICHARD DEMILL offered the following resolution

That the Committee on so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to Christian Education, consider and report, as early as convenient, action (if any) they may consider proper to be taken by this Convention with a view to obtaining the passage of a law by the Legislature of this State, providing that taxes and assessments for purposes of education be in all cases separately imposed; and that every tax-payer pay taxes or assessments in any county, for purposes of education, be allowed to dispose, to name a religious body in such county to be the recipient of such taxes and assessments; and that thereupon, the amount of such taxes and assessments paid by such tax-payer shall be delivered to such religious body as shall be named by such religious body to receive the same; and such trustees shall have the control and disposal of all moneys so received by them, to use and dispose of the same for purposes of education, under the control and direction of the religious body by whom they have been appointed.

On motion, this was received and referred to the Committee on Church Schools and Christian Education.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. JESSUP, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Address of the Bishop as refers to the Federate Council be referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Haskins, from the Committee appointed to transmit the Fraternal Greetings of this Convention to that of the Diocese of New York, reported that they had performed the duty assigned to them, and that they were most cordially received by that body, the members of the Convention rising as they entered, and the Bishop of New York extending to them a most friendly welcome; and further, that they were invited to take seats in the House, and that a similar Committee had been appointed to reciprocate their expressions of regard.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, it was

Resolved, That this Convention proceed to the election of the Standing and Missionary Committees of the Diocese, of three Clerical Deputies, and one Clerical and one Lay Provisional Deputy to the General Convention, of one Deputy to the Federate Council, and of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, immediately after recess, and that the elections be held simultaneously.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Canons, presented their Report on the amendments which had been referred to them; and for the purpose of perfecting the Code, moved to adopt the following in place of Canon XIX:

The Canons may be altered or new Canons may be added at the Annual Convention, by the vote of a majority of the members of the same.

The vote was taken by Ayes and Noes, whereupon it appeared that the following Clergymen voted *Aye*: Messrs. Abbott, Aspinwall, Barnes, Beare, Brewer, Buckmaster, Drs. Burgess, Carmichael, Messrs. Chadwell, Cook, Cooper, Cornell, Dr. Cox, Mr. Degen, Dr. Diller, Mr. Doty, Drs. Drowne, Duane, Messrs. Elsegood, Guion, Dr. Hall, Messrs. Harlow, Harris, Dr. Haskins, Messrs. Hepburn, Higbee, Homer, Hovey, Jessup, Dr. Johnson, Messrs. Mallaby, Mansfield, Musgrave, Moore, Neilson, Jr., Dr. Paddock, Mr. Pearson, Dr. Schenck, Mr. Schouler, Jr., Dr. Smith, Messrs. Spafard, Stocking, Drs. Van Kleeck, Walbridge and Mr. Williams—
55. None voted *No*.

The following named Parishes voted *Aye*: Christ, Bay Ridge; All Saints, Christ, Grace, Mediator, Messiah, Our Saviour, Redeemer, Reformation, St. Andrew's, St. Ann's, St. James', St. John's, St. Luke's, St. Matthew's, St. Michael's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, St. Stephen's, Brooklyn; St. Mark's, St. Paul's, Brooklyn, E. D.; St. Paul's, Flatbush; Redeemer, Astoria; Zion, Little Neck; Christ, Manhasset; St. James', Newtown; St. Thomas', Ravenswood; Trinity, Roslyn; St. John's, Huntington, and St. John's, Islip—30. None voted *No*.

The Canon was accordingly declared to be adopted unanimously.

The Rev. Mr. MOORE moved to strike out that part of Art. I., Sec. 1, in relation to the time for the meeting of Convention, reading "on the Third Tuesday of May;" and to insert "on the Third Tuesday of November;" but on the vote being taken, the motion was lost.

The Rev. Dr. HALL announced that the following Committee, the Rev. Francis Vinton, S. T. D., D. C. L., the Rev. Henry E. Montgomery, D.D., the Rev. William F. Morgan, S. T. D., Messrs. Lloyd W. Wells and Charles Tracy, deputed by the Diocese of New York to the Diocese of Long Island, were awaiting permission at the door of the Convention to present a communication.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HALL, it was

Resolved, That the Special Committee appointed by this House to the Convention of New York, be requested to conduct the Committee in the House, and that this Convention receive them standing.

The Rev. Dr. FRANCIS VINTON, Chairman of the Committee from New York, on being introduced by the Right Rev. the President of the Convention, read the following Communication, which was ordered to be placed upon the Journal:

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Diocese of New York, in Convention assembled, having received through a deputation, from the Diocese of Long Island, assembled in

Convention in the City of Brooklyn, a preamble and resolutions of a eternal character, do hereby respond and cordially reciprocate their sittings.

The joint counsels, the united labors, and the brotherly fellowship of us gone by, when we were united in one Diocese, are fresh and pleasant the memory of this Convention.

We have realized in the past, how good and joyful a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity; and we feel confident that in the future to come, by the grace of God, the Holy Ghost, who presided in the councils of the Blessed Apostles, we may still be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of Spirit, in the bond of peace and righteousness of life.

Done in Convention of the Diocese of New York, in St. John's Chapel, the 30th day of September, A. D. 1869.

HORATIO POTTER,

Bishop of New York.

Attest :

WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT,

Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of New York.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT of the Convention addressed the Committee, extending to them a hearty welcome.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HASKINS, it was

Resolved, That the Committee, from the Convention of New York be invited to take seats in this House, as honorary members of the same, during the sittings of the Convention.

Upon the request of the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, the members of the Committee addressed the House; the Rev. Drs. Vinton, Montgomery and Morgan representing the Clergy, and Mr. Charles Tracy the Laity of the Convention of New York.

The Rev. Drs. Diller, Schenck and Van Kleeck, and the Rev. J. W. Gilbert responded on behalf of this Convention.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY, September 30th, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention re-assembled, the Right Rev. the Bishop took the chair.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. MOORE, it was

Resolved, That the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, hereby sends its fraternal greetings to its oldest presbyter, the Rev. W. L. Johnson, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, and beseeches for him in his prolonged sickness, the comfortable sense of God's holy presence; and that he may be restored to health and a continuance of honorable usefulness.

The Convention proceeded to the annual elections, this being the order of the day.

The names of the Clergy were called by the Secretary, and of the Churches by the Assistant Secretary: the members having voted, the PRESIDENT declared the polls to be closed, and the tellers were requested to retire and count the votes.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. JESSUP, it was

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to half past seven o'clock, this evening.

The Rev. Dr. PADDOCK, from the Special Committee on Church Schools and Christian Education, presented and read the following

Report

ON CHURCH SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as concern Church Schools and Christian Education, would respectfully report :

That in their judgment, no subject that can come before this Convention is more worthy of its best thought, its most patient consideration, and its most matured convictions, than the topic so well presented in the Episcopal Address of this morning. All the instincts of the Church when rightly heeded, all the maxims of true policy, and all the Providential tokens of the time, conspire to urge upon us a well-considered, resolute and enduring determination to save the Children of the Church from the perils of indifferentism or infidelity on the one hand, and from those of religious error or superstition on the other. We cannot, it is believed, lay claim to the fullest blessing of our Divine Lord, while we are deliberately and without compunction, overlooking the example of Him, who took the Children into His arms and blessed them, and neglecting the command to all the Pastors of His flock, "Feed my Lambs."

The Committee recognize with thankfulness the increasing number of Church Schools in this Diocese, and bespeak for them and for all honest and wise efforts in this direction, the cordial co-operation, both by word and deed, of all our clergy and intelligent laity.

In reference to a resolution touching the propriety of this Convention's seeking from the Legislature of the State a new law on the subject of educational taxes and assessments, which resolution was referred to this Committee for consideration and report; the Committee would report that owing to the magnitude of such a scheme and its considerable difficulties, they are not prepared to report any action for this Convention; and ask to be dismissed from further consideration of the subject.

The Committee would respectfully recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That in accordance with a resolution of the last General Convention, and for the purpose of representing the interest of this body in the subject under consideration, a Standing Committee for this Diocese be appointed by this Convention, to be called the Standing Committee on Christian Education, and to be charged with the duty of furthering the general interests of the cause in this Diocese, and of making a Report to each Annual Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. HALL,
BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK,
THOS. G. VALPY,
CHAS. CONGDON,
WM. H. FLEEMAN,

Committee.

BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

On motion, the resolution recommended in this Report was adopted.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT appointed the following

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D.,	Mr. Charles Congdon,
The Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.,	Mr. William H. Fleeman.
The Rev. Thomas G. Valpy,	

The Report of the Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund was presented and read by the Rev. Dr. DILLER, as follows:

Report
ON THE DIOCESAN FUND.

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund respectfully report :

That to the 27th of September, the gross amount received by the Treasurer of the Diocese is..... \$1,052 31

Disbursements for mileage, expenses of Primary Convention,
expenses of Consecration, Journals bought, printing, stationery,
&c..... 1,047 94

Balance on hand..... \$4 37

From ten Parishes no contribution has been received.

The Committee also report the following resolutions, and recommend their adoption by this Convention, viz. :

Resolved, That there be paid to the Clergy attending this Convention, who reside more than twenty miles from the place of meeting, and whose Parishes have contributed to the Fund, seven cents per mile, for every mile of the distance from their respective Parishes.

Resolved, That the Rectors of Parishes be requested to forward to the Treasurer of the Diocese, the amount of their assessment within sixty days from the meeting of the Convention.

J. W. DILLER, *Chairman*.
AUGUSTUS E. MASTERS,
ALEXANDER V. BLAKE,
CHRISTIAN W. BOUCK.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

LIST OF PARISHES

Which have not contributed to the Diocesan Fund :

- Brooklyn, All Saints, Rev. W. D'Orville Doty, Rector.
- “ Atonement, “ William Hyde, “
- “ St. Andrew's, “ Charles Higbee, “
- “ St. Mark's, “ T. F. Cornell, “
- “ St. Michael's, Vacant.
- Brooklyn, E. D., St. Paul's, Rev. W. A. W. Maybin, Rector,
- Ronkonkoma, St. Mary's, “ Joseph M. Waite, “
- Sayville, St. Barnabas' } “ Charles Douglas, “
- Yaphank, St. Andrew's }
- Smithtown, St. James', “ John W. Buckmaster, “

On motion of Mr. N. D. MORGAN, the resolutions recommended in the Report were adopted.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, from the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, presented and read the

Report

ON THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The undersigned were appointed by the Primary Convention, held on 19th November, 1868, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and pursuant to such appointment, held their first meeting on 3d December, 1868, at which meeting a committee was appointed to secure their Incorporation as a body capable of discharging by legal authority the duties delegated to the Trustees by the Convention.

At this preliminary meeting the amount reported as received from the different Parishes, for the support of the Episcopate, was as follows :

In Cash.....	\$30,099 74
In Notes.....	310 00
In Bonds.....	14,900 00
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Making together.....	\$45,309 74

Subsequent meetings of the Trustees were held, and at a meeting held on 25th May, 1869, the Act of Incorporation was presented and entered in full on the Minutes, a certified copy of which is herewith annexed.

Under this Act the Trustees formally organized by the election of Henry E. Pierrepont as President, and John D. Jones as Secretary and Treasurer, and all business previously by them transacted was formally approved, and the funds collected transferred to the Trustees under the Act of Incorporation.

In compliance with the requirements of this Act, the Trustees make the following report of the condition of funds and investments.

PERMANENT FUND.

Notes of Churches.....	\$275 00
Bonds of Churches.....	16,500 00
Certificates of Deposits in U. S. Trust Co.....	530 46
Bonds and Mortgages.....	35,000 00
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Making together	\$52,305 46

The moneys received since the \$45,309 74 reported to the Convention, on the 29th Nov., 1868, and appropriated to the permanent fund, are as follows, viz., Cash... \$5,395 72

Bonds of Churches....	1,600 00	\$6,995 72	\$52,305 46
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This amount was received from

St. James' Church, Newtown, cash.....	\$650 00
Trinity " East New York, Bond.....	100 00
Redeemer " Brooklyn, cash.....	51 00
St. Mary's " " "	60 31
St. Thomas' " Ravenswood, cash.....	32 45
St. Mary's " Brooklyn, "	300 00
St. Luke's " " " ..	879 00
Messiah " " Bond.....	1,500 00
Christ " Sag Harbor, cash.....	50 00
" " Oyster Bay, "	200 00
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	\$3,822 76
Profits on sales \$30,000 U. S. Stocks.....	2,564 41
Interest accrued prior to February 1st, 1869.....	608 55
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	\$6,995 72
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Interest received.....	1,200 03
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Appropriated as follows :

Paid to A. V. Blake, Treasurer, on account of Bishop's salary	739 56
Added to permanent fund, amount accrued prior to 1st Feb., 1869.....	455 67
For certified copies of Act of Incorporation.....	4 80
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	\$1,200 03

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
CHAS. R. MARVIN,
J. D. JONES,
Trustees.

BROOKLYN, September 23d, 1869.

*An Act to incorporate the Trustees for the management and care
of the property for the support of the Episcopate
of the Diocese of Long Island.*

Passed April 14th, 1869.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. Henry E. Pierrepont, Pitt Cooke and Charles R. Marvin, all of the county of Kings, John D. Jones of the county of Queens, and

J. Lawrence Smith, of the county of Suffolk, and their successors duly elected and appointed, in the manner hereafter prescribed, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of "The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Long Island," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and be capable of taking and holding by gift, grant, devise or purchase, and of conveying such estate, real or personal, as may be necessary for the purposes of said corporation, provided the yearly value or income of the same shall not exceed the sum of twelve thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. The object of the said corporation shall be the management and care of the fund now provided, together with such property as may hereafter be contributed, or acquired, and any accumulation accruing from the investment or income thereof, for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Long Island, and the appropriation of the income of said fund and property to that purpose, according to the directions to be from time to time given by the convention of said church in said diocese.

SECTION 3. The said Trustees shall be five in number, and shall hold their offices during the pleasure of said convention, and all vacancies occurring in said Trustees shall, from time to time, be filled by said convention. The said Trustees shall appoint a president, secretary and treasurer, from their number. No act of said Trustees shall be valid, unless authorized by a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of said Trustees by a majority of the same, and recorded by the secretary in a book to be kept as a record of their proceedings, which book shall be open to the inspection of said convention.

SECTION 4. A statement of the proceedings of the said Trustees, hereby incorporated, exhibiting the condition of the fund and property entrusted to their charge, together with their receipts and disbursements, shall be reported to each annual convention, and signed by said Trustees, or a majority of them, and to the Legislature.

SECTION 5. The said Trustees shall have no power to dispose of any real estate which they may acquire under the powers given to them by this act, unless under the directions of the said convention, and the said Trustees shall conform to any instructions that shall be given to them by the said convention, touching the management of such real and personal estate and the disposition of the same, and of the rents, issues and profits thereof, provided that such instructions shall be in writing, and shall be entered on the journals of the said convention.

SECTION 6. The provisions of title third of the eighteenth chapter of

the first part of the revised statutes shall apply to the corporation hereby created, so far as the same are applicable and have not been repealed.

SECTION 7. The Legislature may at any time alter or repeal this act.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss. :
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

I have compared the preceding with the original law on file in this office, and do hereby certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original law.

[L. s.] Given under my hand and seal of office, at the City of Albany, this third day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

D. WILLERS, Jr.,
Deputy Secretary of State.

The Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, from the Special Committee appointed on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the Church Charity Foundation, presented and read the following

Report

ON THE CHURCH CHARITY FOUNDATION.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Church Charity Foundation, beg leave to report that they have deeply considered the important facts and impressive suggestions presented by the Bishop, and feel that it is impossible to exaggerate the value of the noble charity now commended to the sympathy and co-operation of the Convention and the Diocese.

The Committee desire to present the following motion :

Resolved, That this Convention heartily endorses that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the Church Charity Foundation, and pledge themselves to such efforts as may best carry out the Bishop's suggestions touching the enlargement of this Charity's facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

N. H. SCHENCK,
T. S. DROWNE,
THOMAS COOK,
JOHN D. COCKS,
WILLIAM MATTHEWS,
Committee.

BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

The Resolution recommended in the Report was adopted.

The Inspectors of the Votes for the Standing Committee of the Diocese presented their Reports:

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected, by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

The Standing Committee of the Diocese.

CLERGY :

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D.,
The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.,
The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK,
The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH, D.D.

LAITY :

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
The Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT,
Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN,
The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

The Inspectors of the Votes for the Missionary Committee presented their Reports:

Whereupon, the following persons were declared to be duly elected, by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

The Missionary Committee.

CLERGY :

The Rev. D. V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.,
The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D.,
The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK,
The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH, D.D.,
The Rev. CALEB B. ELLSWORTH.

LAITY :

Mr. JOSEPH W. GREENE,
Mr. JOHN HALSEY,
Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE,
Mr. WILLIAM MULLIGAN,
The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW.

The Inspectors of the Votes for three Clerical Deputies to the General Convention presented their Reports:

Whereupon, it was declared that the following persons were duly elected, by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity,

Deputies to the General Convention.

The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D.,
The Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D.,
The Rev. SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D.

The Inspectors of the Votes for one Clerical and one Lay Provisional Deputy to the General Convention presented their Reports:

Whereupon, it was declared that the following persons were duly elected by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity,

Provisional Deputies to the General Convention.

The Rev. SAMUEL COX, D.D.,
Mr. WILLIAM NICOLL.

The Inspectors of the Votes for one Clerical Deputy to the Federate Council, to fill an existing vacancy, presented their Reports:

Whereupon, it was declared that the following person was duly elected

Deputy to the Federate Council.

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D.

The Inspectors of the Votes for the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund presented their Reports:

Whereupon, it was declared that the following persons were duly elected

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN,
Mr. JOHN D. JONES,
Mr. PITT COOKE,
The Hon. J. LAWRENCE SMITH.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT announced the following persons as

THE COMMITTEE ON THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

Mr. Seymour L. Husted,	Mr. Alexander E. Orr,
Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont,	Mr. Samuel E. Howard,
Mr. William Floyd Jones,	Mr. Henry Sanger,
Mr. Andrew H. Dewitt,	Mr. John A. King,
Mr. William B. Leonard,	Mr. John Halsey,
Mr. N. Denison Morgan,	Mr. John T. Walker,
Mr. William S. Woodward,	Mr. William Mulligan,
Mr. George A. Jarvis.	

On motion, the Convention then took a recess until half-past seven o'clock this evening.

THURSDAY EVENING, *half-past seven o'clock.*

The Convention re-assembled, the Right Rev. the PRESIDENT in the Chair.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS, from the Standing Committee on Canons, moved the adoption of the Proposed Constitution as a whole.

Several amendments, notice of which had been previously given, were submitted to the action of the House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, it was

Resolved, That the article reported by the Committee on Canons, as follows: "Art. VI. It shall be the right of the Bishop in open Convention, before the final adjournment, to declare his non-concurrence in any act of ecclesiastical legislation by the Convention then sitting, together with his reasons therefor, and after such declaration the same shall not be valid unless adopted by a vote of two-thirds of each order,"—be referred back to the Committee on Canons, and their consideration postponed until the next annual Convention.

Mr. N. D. MORGAN gave notice of certain amendments to the Constitution, which he proposed to call up to-morrow.

The following telegram from the Convention of the Diocese of Albany, in response to the telegram from this House, was received, and read by the Secretary, the Convention rising:

TELEGRAM FROM THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

ALBANY, N. Y., *September 30th, 1869.*

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese

of Long Island, Church of the Holy Trinity:

The Convention of the Diocese of Albany have received with lively emotions of fraternal sympathy, the telegram of the Diocese of Long Island. May grace, mercy and peace be ever with the honored Bishop and Brethren of our sister Diocese, and may our common labors for the promotion of Catholic Truth, Unity and Peace, be ever under the guidance, sanction and blessing of the Holy Ghost.

T. W. COIT,
O. MEADS,
S. B. BOSTWICK,
N. S. RULISONS,
S. H. WEBB.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, it was unanimously
Resolved, That this telegram be inserted at large upon the Minutes.

The Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, from the Special Committee on that portion of the Bishop's address, relating to the Missionary Work of the Diocese, presented and read the following

Report

ON THE MISSIONARY WORK OF THE DIOCESE.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Missionary Work of the Diocese, beg to report:

That from the short time allotted them, they can do but little, but congratulate the Convention and the Diocese, on the impulse given to our Diocesan Missions, and the progress made during our first Conventional year. The true missionary spirit and work, is the best indication of vigorous life, either in a parish or Diocese. To have reached in this our first year, 350 per cent. in advance of any previous year, and to have a balance over and above what is needed to pay the missionaries on October 1st, is matter for hearty congratulation and devout thanksgiving.

To push on the aggressive work of the Church, until every nook and corner of our rural districts shall be reached, and every opening and opportunity improved among the surging masses of this growing City, is at once the mission, the duty and the privilege of this Convention, and of

the Church in this Diocese. Along the line of every opening railroad, in all our towns and hamlets where our services are unknown, there are loud calls and favorable openings.

In this City, we cannot estimate the great and crying need for prompt and efficient efforts.

The careful pondering of the Bishop's views and counsels on this subject will give a new impulse to this great and holy work.

To have the Laity stirred up and all alive to a deep interest, liberal offerings and wise measures, is the great thing to be desired. The Clergy with their hearts warm and their hands full of earnest work, will find in their people a glad response and hearty co-operation.

With these views, your Committee would offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That this Convention rejoices in the auspicious auguries of our Diocesan missionary work, in this our first Conventional year, and bid the Missionary Committee and the good work, God speed, and rapid increase, in the time to come.

Resolved, That this Convention recommend to the Missionary Committee to consider the expediency of appointing, at least, one itinerant Missionary, in the Counties of Queens and Suffolk, and establishing new stations in the City, as rapidly as may be.

Resolved, That continued and liberal offerings for the work, be urged upon all the Churches of the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. VAN KLEECK,
D. V. M. JOHNSON,
W. H. MOORE,
KENNARD BUXTON,
GILBERT SAYRES,

Committee.

BROOKLYN, *September 30th*, 1869.

On motion, the Resolutions recommended in this Report were adopted.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT, appointed the following

COMMITTEE ON THE APPORTIONMENT
OF THE CHARITABLE OR OTHER FUNDS OF THE LATE UNDIVIDED DIOCESE
OF NEW YORK.

The Rev. N. H. Schenck, D.D.,

The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D.,

The Rev. Thomas Mallaby,

Mr. Charles R. Marvin,

The Hon. John W. Hunter,

Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont.

On motion of Mr. C. R. MARVIN, the Resolution appended

to the Report of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary, already presented and read, was adopted. The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT, appointed the following

COMMITTEE ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.

The Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.,	Mr. Alexander V. Blake,
The Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, D.D.,	Mr. William B. Leonard,
The Rev. William H. Moore,	Mr. Henry P. Morgan,
	Mr. Charles R. Marvin.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS renewed his motion, that the Constitution be adopted as amended: whereupon the vote was taken by Orders.

The names of the Clergy being called, the following voted *Aye*: Bishop Littlejohn, Messrs. Barnes, Beare, Dr. Burgess, Messrs. Cook, Cooper, Cornell, Dr. Cox, Mr. Degen, Dr. Diller, Mr. Doty, Drs. Drowne, Hall, Mr. Harlow, Dr. Haskins, Messrs. Hepburn, Hutton, Jessup, Dr. Johnson, Messrs. Loop, Moore, Neilson, Jr., Newton, Dr. Paddock, Messrs. Pearson, Peck, Postlethwaite, Riley, Dr. Schenck, Mr. Schouler, Jr., Dr. Smith, Messrs. Tripp, Valpy, Drs. Van Kleeck and Walbridge—35. None voted *No*.

Pending the taking of the Lay vote, the Convention adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Third Day.

FRIDAY, *October 1st, Nine o'clock A. M.*

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev George G. Hepburn, of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Greenpoint, the Bishop pronouncing the Absolution. The Lessons were read by the Rev. William H. Neilson, Jr., Rector of St. John's Church, Long Island City. The Rev. Henry M. Beare, of Zion Church, Little Neck, said the Creed, Collects and Litany.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese took the Chair.

The Minutes of the proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, not present yesterday, were called, when several answered, and took their seats.

The Rev. E. Jessup, from the Committee on Canons, reported on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the Federate Council was referred, presented and read the following

Report

ON THE FEDERATE COUNCIL.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to a Federate Council, respectfully report: That in their judgment, the subject is not as yet sufficiently developed to admit of urgent legislation thereon at the present session. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the subject of a Federate Council, brought to the notice of this

Convention in the Bishop's Address, be referred back to the Committee, to report thereon at the next Convention.

In behalf of the Committee,

EDWARD JESSUP.

BROOKLYN, *October 1st*, 1869.

On motion, the Resolution recommended in the Report was adopted.

The vote on the adoption of the Constitution, begun last evening, was completed; whereupon the following names of Parishes, on being called, voted *Aye*: All Saints, Christ the Evangelists', Grace, Holy Trinity, Mediator, Redeemer, Reformation, St. Ann's, St. James', St. John's, St. Luke's, St. Mark's, St. Mary's, St. Matthew's, St. Michael's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, St. Stephen's, Brooklyn; Calvary, Grace, St. Mark's, St. Paul's, Brooklyn, E. D.; St. Paul's, Flatbush; St. John's, Fort Hamilton; Redeemer, St. George's, Astoria; Grace, Jamaica; Zion, Little Neck; Christ, Manhasset; St. James', Newtown; Trinity, Rockaway; Grace, South Oyster Bay; St. John's, Huntington; St. John's, Islip, and Caroline. Setauket—36. None voted *No*.

Whereupon, it was announced by the Right Rev. the PRESIDENT, that the Constitution, with its several amendments, had been unanimously adopted by a concurrent vote of both Orders.

The Rev. Dr. BURGESS moved the consideration of Article I. of the Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HALL, it was

Resolved, That Section IV. of Canon 2, Article I. be amended so as to read, instead of *twenty*—"The presence of at least *fifteen* Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of Delegates, from at least *fifteen* Congregations, shall be necessary for the transaction of business."

The Rev. Dr. HASKINS moved the following amendment to Article I., Section II. of Canon 2, Clause 5, so as to read—"No Lay Delegates shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be entitled to vote for the Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church which he is appointed to represent and unless he shall have been a communicant of the same."

A division being called for, 32 voted *Aye*, and 42 *No*; so the amendment was lost.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT requested the Rev. Dr. Diller to take the Chair.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, it was

Resolved, That Article I. of the Canons, with the several amendments approved by the Convention, be, and it is hereby adopted.

The Rev. Dr. HALL moved the adoption of Article II., Of Discipline.

A vote by Orders being called for, the names of the Clergy and of the Parishes were called; whereupon the following Clergy voted *Aye*: Messrs. Barnes, Buckmaster, Dr. Burgess, Messrs. Cooper, Degen, Drs. Drowne, Hall, Messrs. Harlow, Higbee, Hovey, Jessup, Newton, Dr. Paddock, Mr. Peck, Dr. Smith and Mr. Spafard—16. The following voted *No*: Messrs. Aspinwall, Beare, Cornell, Drs. Cox, Diller, Messrs. Doty, Ellsworth, Elsegood, Guion, Harris, Dr. Haskins, Messrs. Homer, Hutton, Dr. Johnson, Messrs. Maybin, Neilson, Pearson, Postlethwaite, Dr. Schenck, Mr. Schouler, Jr., Dr. Van Kleeck and Mr. Williams—22.

The following Parishes voted *Aye*: Holy Trinity, Mediator, Redeemer, St. James', St. John's, St. Luke's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, Brooklyn; St. Mark's, Brooklyn, E. D.; St. John's, Fort Hamilton; Redeemer, St. George's, Astoria; Grace, Jamaica; St. James', Newtown; Grace, South Oyster Bay; St. John's, Huntington; and Caroline, Setauket—17. The following voted *No*: Christ, Bay Ridge; Christ, Grace, Reformation, St. Ann's, St. Mary's, St. Matthew's, St. Stephen's Brooklyn; Grace, St. Paul's, Brooklyn, E. D.; St. Paul's, Flatbush; Zion, Little Neck; Christ, Manhasset; and Trinity, Rockaway—14.

So the motion was lost by non-concurrence.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese resumed the Chair.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, it was

Resolved, That the further consideration of Article II. be postponed to the next Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HALL, it was

Resolved, That Canon XVII. of the Convention of the Diocese of New-York, entitled "Of Discipline," be adopted and remain in force in this Diocese, until the second day of the next Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, it was

Resolved, That the first 5 Canons of Article III. be, and they are hereby adopted.

The Rev. Dr. HASKINS proposed the following additional Canon, on the use of the Office of Induction into a Parish; to be introduced in Article III., after Canon 3:

The office of the Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches shall be of use and authority in this Diocese. It shall be the duty of the Vestry or Parish, or Church, on the election of a Clergyman to the Rectorship thereof, to give immediate notice of such election to the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, in the form and manner prescribed by Canon; whereupon the Ecclesiastical authority, being satisfied that the person chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, may proceed immediately to institute him, the notification of election being considered a request to institution on the part of the Vestry, Parish or Church.

On motion, the foregoing was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. HASKINS proposed the following Canon, on the use of Churches, which was likewise referred to the Committee on Canons:

No consecrated Church shall be used for purposes other than those mentioned in the "Form for the Consecration of a Church or Chapel."

As every consecrated Church is placed under the spiritual jurisdiction of the Bishop of the Diocese, it is hereby declared, that in this spiritual jurisdiction is included the right of the Bishop to use such Church for all services not inconsistent with the "Form for the Consecration of a Church or Chapel," and to prevent its use for the performance of any service inconsistent with the same.

Whenever a Priest is instituted or regularly settled in a Parish or Church, then the right of the Bishop to use such Church, for the performance of any holy office, shall be confined to his Episcopal Visitations and extraordinary occasions.

On motion of the Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT, it was

Resolved, That all Canons and parts of Canons in the Code of the

of New York, heretofore in force in this Diocese, be, and they be hereby repealed.

motion of Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, it was

Resolved, That the Trustees required by Section II. of Canon 8, Article I. of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, be now chosen, and that they do nominate one Clerical and two Lay Trustees.

Whereupon the Right Rev. the Bishop nominated the Rev. Mr. H. Schenck, Mr. John A. King, and Mr. N. D. Morgan; on motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and these gentlemen were elected. The following were thereupon announced as the

Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

The Right Rev. A. N. LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,
The Rev. N. H. SCHENCK, D.D.,
Mr. JOHN A. KING,
Mr. N. DENISON MORGAN,
Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

motion of Mr. PIERREPONT, it was

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, be now chosen, and they are hereby directed to procure an Act of Incorporation.

motion of Mr. PIERREPONT, it was

Resolved, That the income of the Episcopal Fund be paid to the Treasurer of the Committee on the Salary of the Bishop.

C. R. MARVIN, from the Committee on the Salary of the Bishop, having reported that it was impossible for the members of the Committee, during the sitting of Convention, to fully prepare and report a list of assessments upon the several Parishes, as requested, it was on motion,

Resolved, That the whole matter be confided to the Committee, to act according to their best judgment.

Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, in accordance with Section 5, Article III., providing that one of the Commissioners on Canons, shall, with the Secretary, certify the amendments made in the Canons, announced that they had agreed upon the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Burgess to fulfill that

The Rev. Dr. SCHENCK gave notice of the following proposed alteration of the Rules of Order :

That Article IX. of the mode of conducting the Stated Elections, amended by inserting after the words, "are to present their several ballots for each office to be filled," the following, viz. :—"which ballots shall all cases be written, not printed."

Mr. N. D. MORGAN proposed the following amendments to the Constitution, which on motion were approved, and laid over until the next Convention :

The Parishes and Churches within the Diocese of Long Island, in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States America, and in union with the said Church in the Diocese, constituted at the Primary Convention thereof, by their Clerical and Lay Delegates in Convention assembled, do adopt this Constitution.

Article I., Section 1. The name and title of the body adopting this Constitution, shall be The Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Long Island.

Art. I. Sect. 1., as numbered in the Constitution, to be Sect. 2., and read, "There shall be *an Annual* Convention," &c.

Art. III. Sect. 1., to read "settled in some Church *or Parish* within this Diocese, which is in union with the *said Church*," &c. Sect. 2., read "Clergymen employed as Missionaries under the direction of *a Church in this Diocese*," &c., and the last line to read "may be members of *the* Convention." Sect. 5., to read, "The mode of admitting new Churches or Congregations into union with *this Church*, and rules and laws for the government of *this Church*, may be prescribed by Canon.

Art. IV. Sect. 1., to read, "upon the assembling of the *annual* Convention, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next *annual* Convention," &c. ; and the last line to read, "relating to the concerns of the *Church in this Diocese*, which may be in his possession.

Art. VIII., to read, "considered in the *annual* Convention ; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next *annual* Convention ; and, if again approved of in such next *annual* Convention," &c.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HALL, it was

Resolved, That this Convention recommend to the parishes of this Diocese to consider seriously the duty of sending communicants and Delegates to the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK, it was

Resolved, That this Convention by a rising vote, do hereby heartily endorse the just and feeling tribute of the Bishop in his Address, to the services and memory of the late Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D.D., and desire to express our sorrow for his loss, our respect for his memory, and our sympathy with his sorrowing Parish, and his bereaved family.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate this resolution to the family of Dr. Greenleaf, and the Vestry of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. BURGESS, it was

Resolved, That fifteen hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed and distributed under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, it was unanimously, by a rising vote,

Resolved, That the Convention tender its affectionate salutation to the Right Rev. the Bishop, now at the close of the first Convention over which he has presided, and would express its grateful acknowledgments to him for the impartial, graceful and dignified manner in which he has conducted the deliberations of this body ; and now, in separating to re-occupy our several allotted spheres of duty, the Clergy and Laity would offer to their Bishop the assurance of their hearty sympathy and active co-operation in the great work for Christ and the Church, in which he is their accepted and revered leader in this new and vigorous Diocese.

The Right Rev. the Bishop addressed the House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HALL,

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Secretary for his patient courtesy, and acceptable services during the sessions of this body ; and also to the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mr. A. E. MASTERS, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Treasurer of the Diocese, for his faithful and efficient labors.

On motion of Mr. KENNARD BUXTON, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity, for the comfortable accommodations and kind attentions afforded the Convention during its present sittings.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. HOMER, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are eminently due, and are hereby tendered to Mr. George W. Warren, Organist of the Church of the Holy Trinity, for his constant attendance at all the religious exercises of this Convention, and the excellent music furnished by him on such occasions.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HASKINS, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Fund be empowered to place fifty dollars at the disposal of the Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, for the purpose of remunerating the sextons who have been on duty during the sessions of the Convention.

On motion of the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, it was

Resolved, That the members of this Convention return their thanks to the citizens of Brooklyn for their hospitable courtesies extended to them during the session.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT requested the Rev. Dr. HALL to take the Chair.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. JESSUP, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, and the usual devotions, this Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes of this day's proceedings were read and approved.

Gloria in Excelsis was sung: prayers were said by the Rev. Dr. DILLER, Rector of St. Luke's Church; the Right Rev. the Bishop pronounced the Benediction;

And the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,
Bishop of Long Island, and President of
the Convention.

Attest:

T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.,
Secretary.

THE PRIMARY CHARGE

AND

THE PRIMARY ADDRESS

OF THE

RIGHT REVEREND ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D. D.,

Bishop of Long Island,

DELIVERED BEFORE THE

Second Convention of the Diocese,

IN THE

Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn,

September 29th and 30th, A. D. 1869.

The Primary Charge.

"Take heed, therefore, unto yourselves and to all the flock over the which the HOLY GHOST hath made you Overseers to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."—Acts xx. 28.

Brethren beloved in the Lord:

In conformity with the custom familiar to you in the mother Diocese, it was my wish that one of your own number should address you on this occasion. In appearing here for this purpose it is, perhaps, proper that I should say that I have done so in compliance with the request of several of the most venerable and influential among you. And before proceeding to the duty of the hour, let me say, that on this the first occasion of our meeting together in the solemn and momentous relation which binds a Bishop to his Clergy and People, it is my earnest prayer that the HOLY SPIRIT whose presence among us we have especially invoked will, besides conferring all other needed gifts, awaken within us a due sense of the common interests, the common hopes, the common labors and responsibilities which that divinely ordained relation was intended to create and foster. And as we believe we see upon it the seal of God's appointment, so may it prove in our hands instrumental in bringing forth the fruits of righteousness which are by JESUS CHRIST unto the glory and praise of God.

Reserving for another and early occasion the discussion of topics which more immediately concern this Diocese, I shall, for the present, confine myself to such as concern the whole Catholic body.

The words of HOLY SCRIPTURE which I have cited as the ground of my thoughts, are familiar to you as part of the memorable address which St. Paul delivered at Miletus, to the elders of the Church. Upon the circumstances which clothed the Apostle's language with unwonted power, I may not dwell. Indeed, the single sentence before us suggests vastly more than

there is time to consider, and I shall, therefore, confine myself to that one part of the exhortation "to feed the Church of God."

However general the duty toward all mankind laid upon the Christian Ministry in other parts of Holy Scripture, as in the Great Commission to go forth and teach all nations or in the Parable, which declares the field of its labor to be the world; here the duty is made specific, and is limited to the Church, to those already gathered out of the world, already baptized and brought to the knowledge of Christian privilege. Whomsoever else we are to feed, it is especially required of us to feed the Church of God, purchased by his own blood; to teach, and by teaching to edify the Body of Christ, composed of such as are members of Himself, and therefore members one of another; each drawing separately the life principle from the LORD and Giver of life; each fed upon food convenient for it, and yet all united and compacted by the bands and joints of an organic life and fed from the common bounty of God, conveyed in the Revelation of his supernatural grace. Of those thus joined together in CHRIST by the Spirit, God says that they are his people and the sheep of his pasture; and for them in ways above nature he maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains and the green herb for the service of men. The food he provides grows in the Heavenly places and reaches his flock through His Eternal Son, the chief Shepherd and Bishop of souls, by the Spirit working through the written Word and Ordinances of grace.

Generally, then, it is clear that they who are set in all lower ministries to feed the Church of God may dispense no other food than what He has provided, and in no other way than what He has ordained. But if this be so, then all who are commissioned to speak for God must find the source, the material and the rule of their teaching, solely in the Revelation of His will as contained in Holy Scripture. And this plainly is one of the fundamental doctrines of the Church. I need not stop to show in how many ways and with what solemn urgency she asserts this truth. It is among the foremost of her Articles. It is wrought into the Ordination vow of each Order of the Ministry. It reappears in her Offices of devotion, in her Songs of praise, and in the chief of her Sacramental Rites. The doctrine of the sufficiency of Holy Scripture for all things needful for salvation, tones the whole atmosphere of her life and teaching, and

speaks sublimely from all the controversial chapters of her history. It is a doctrine which, as many recent developments and many existing tendencies in the Religious world show, her clergy cannot teach too boldly or enforce too often. It is the only rock which will hold our feet in the battle with the open rationalism of "Free Thought," and the more dangerous because more subtle and disguised rationalism of Popery:—modes of thought, which however antagonistic in all else, agree in the effort to bring the Scriptures into captivity to human reason. Wherever this doctrine of the sufficiency of Scripture with the correlated doctrine of the Church as its pillar and ground, its witness and interpreter, be held in its integrity, it will leave no room for that perilous dogma—that wretched fancy of the modern intellect which finds, either in the whole Church or in the individual reason, a power of discovery which transcends the first *afflatus* of the Divine Spirit as communicated by the pens of the Inspired Writers. Wherever, on the other hand, this doctrine be tampered with, diluted or denied, mankind will be left to that accursed liberty of choice which will force upon them any one of an ever shifting series of bastard religions.

But there is one very practical question arising out of this Doctrine, whose importance forbids that it shall be passed over without a word. Admitting the doctrine of the Sufficiency of Scripture in all things needful to salvation; who, it may be asked, is to be the final arbiter in cases of disputed meaning? When the word of God's prophets is challenged, and a doubt arises as to whether they are feeding the Church from the grass and green herb, the wine and oil, and the finest of the wheat, which the Chief Shepherd has furnished from the Heavenly places, who is to decide? I reply by citing the rules adhered to with uniform consent in this Branch of the Catholic Church. (1st.) Scripture must be interpreted in harmony with the teaching of the Primitive, Undivided Church. (2d.) If this fail to satisfy, then Scripture must be interpreted by Scripture; particular passages by the analogy of faith. Neither individuals nor the Church may lawfully "expound one place of Scripture so that it be repugnant to another." So the Scripture thus treated must be the last and highest appeal of the individual conscience. But it may be answered, this is the method of handling the Scripture, which has peopled Modern Christendom with conflicting sects

and utterly destroyed the faith in many souls. Not so. The ultra Protestant sentiment has seized upon one-half of the rule and cast aside the other. It has practically withdrawn all limitations and restrictions from the right of Private Judgment. It has declared the individual reason to be not only the supreme arbiter in all disputes, but to be healthy and free only when emancipated from all external guidance, in the form of ancient tradition or living ecclesiastical action. Logically it enforces upon every man the duty of treating all things connected with his belief, as either disputed or open to dispute; and even refuses to allow his assent to the very axioms of Revealed Religion, until they have been established by reasoning, and catalogued among the controverted and doubtful matters of human thought. But all this is as wide of the position of the Church as the poles. She teaches the right of every soul to appeal to God's Word as the Supreme authority, and that no dictum of her own can, beside it, enforce anything to be believed for necessity of salvation. But along side the right, she sets rules and limitations indispensable to the safe exercise of the right. She affirms that to each individual she hath authority to interpret Holy Writ, and consequently authority in controversies of faith. She warns him of the grave peril of gainsaying, that which has been taught "*semper, ubique, et ab omnibus*:" or of setting his own judgment, warped by the influences and accidents of the hour, against the Catholic Creeds, built out of Scripture, by the sanctified, collective reason of the whole Church, working under conditions assuring an exemption from all error, as nearly absolute as will ever be possible on this earth. She declares that the tradition of Christian doctrine, which beginning in the Apostolic age, and running on through many denials, corruptions and restorations; often challenged, but never overthrown; sufficiently disputed to deprive it of universal consent after the Primitive age, and yet sufficiently affirmed to show that it embodied the general mind of the Church;—this she declares that no man may despise or overlook in his own inquiries and appeals, without awful risks of error, and just impeachment of the validity of his own reasoning.

And yet it is her principle that every man must be persuaded in his own mind. She asks no man to rest his faith on blind and passive submission to external authority. She sets no value on a

Religion that is not rooted in honest conviction, and fed by the strong juices of an obedience which is manly and true, only because it is free. She scorns to receive into her keeping, as a warehouse receives a bale of goods or a safe receives private treasure, any man's reason or conscience. She is their guide, their teacher, and within the law of Scripture, their ruler; but never their substitute. She favors as little the license mistaken for liberty, as the servitude mistaken for obedience. Nowhere on the fair walls of our Zion can be found a cleft within which may rightfully lodge the noisy, lawless, self-will of individualism, or the blind and slavish submission engendered by over strained authority.

But if in the Scriptures, we find the source and the rule of the faith on which the Church is to feed, so in the same green pastures of eternal truth we find, gathered into one bright focus of life and power, the very substance of all true teaching of the Flock—even CHRIST who is all in all to the Church purchased by his blood, as He is all in all, the beginning and the end, of Revelation. Man lives not by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God; and this every word is gathered up and vitally embodied in the WORD made flesh—the incarnate Logos, in whom dwelt the fulness of the Godhead bodily, and if the fulness or pleroma, then the infinite wisdom, grace and power of the GODHEAD. And so, He was made unto us of God, not only the centre, but the sum of all teaching—even wisdom and righteousness, sanctification and redemption. It is certain then, that they who rightly feed the Church of God, will feed it not on abstract doctrine, or ecclesiastical tradition, or human glosses of the truth; but on the living, ever present and eternal personality of CHRIST, working now as heretofore and for ever, in the word He uttered, in the offices He performed, in the sacrifice of the cross, in His triumph over death, in the ordinances He instituted, in the ministries He commissioned and the kingdom He established, unto the end of the world. As for ourselves, brethren, if this be not the key note and governing aim of our teaching, we are without excuse; for upon nothing is the mind of this Church more definitely expressed. In all her nurture and guardianship of souls, nothing is more clear than her effort to supply this living food, to keep men close to the one MEDIATOR and INTERCESSOR, to interpret the letter of scripture by His life, to breathe

into all hearts the magnetic power of His example and to trace figure all sacred acts, services and ministrations in the blaze the central glory. CHRIST is the substance of her teaching and the food of her children, at all times and in all places. System of divinity bearing the prestige of great names, the carefully fashioned methods of her ripest scholarship, the new measure and new opinions evolved from the teeming brain of the hour, the spirit of the age, the clamor of accumulating powers in the sphere of physical progress, all eloquent though they be of the hopes and aspirations of dominant races and spreading empire and coming eras of human glory, she has but one balance in which to weigh them all, and that is the extent of the service they render in advancing the work, and making known the name and presence of the SON OF GOD. Inquirers and critics are often offended at our order of Worship—our Prayer Book, because they cannot compress its pages into a severe dogmatic unity, or fasten upon them the shibboleth of a school or a party; but no one ever faulted it for dropping a veil before CHRIST; rather have all impartial readers wondered at the more than dramatic vividness with which He is there reproduced in all the plenitude of His Divine character and Redemptive work. And this is our strength, the very rock of our refuge, amid the wild tumult of living unbelief, and against the subtle speech or the open menace of living corruption, or living heresy. Here is our safeguard and defense amid all the shifting winds of false doctrine in this land and this age, both so prolific of perilous novelties touching the deep things of God. No churchman, whether priest or layman, can, without criminal negligence, or equally criminal ignorance, acquiesce for an hour, in the view sometimes cunningly foisted in by the secular thought around us, that because it is the duty of the “Priest’s lips to keep knowledge,” therefore, the Priesthood may dwarf the Gospel to the range of a metaphysic or philosophy which aims to answer the questions and solve the difficulties of the speculative reason. He will not fail to see that though, incidentally, the Gospel is the very highest philosophy, because it is the wisdom and the power of God in CHRIST; yet, that in essence and form, in scope and purpose, it immeasurably transcends any possible philosophy, however true: for that it offers only knowledge, while this offers a life in which knowledge is only one ingredient.

Nor, again, will any child of the Church, even tolerably trained in her ways, permit the Gospel to be pared away and starved down to the dry bones of any system of mere morality. It contains, as a vital part of itself, the only real and efficient system of morality, but only as an incidental and subordinate part.

“Moral teaching, by itself, with no insight and sanction from without, sundered from the fountain head of all moral being, is amongst a fallen race little better than mental and spiritual anatomy, a purblind poring into the nauseous revelations of disease and death; a groping darkly into the mechanism from which life has fled. Christianity is the bringing of the SON OF MAN into contact with the dead and saying, in the strength of His omnipotence, ‘Young man, I say unto thee, arise.’”

But another consequence of the system of doctrine and life and worship in which we have been reared, and through which we believe we are required to feed the Church of God—(a system on whose every fundamental principle of teaching, discipline, worship, organization, we may trace the very image of CHRIST, or the word of those who first went forth at His command)—is that all who are faithfully trained under it will be saved from both the ever recurring extremes in times of religious activity; from the religion of faith without works, and the religion of works without faith; from the religion that is too emotional, too subjective and therefore too capricious and fluctuating, too much given to morbid, gloomy, self introspection, and from the religion that is rendered hard and dry, cold and formal, by an absorbed and tenacious grasp of the objective in creed, sacrament and ritual.

Again, a system which, in all its parts, visibly revolves about CHRIST, as its central sun, insensibly supplies to the Ministry and the Flock, a living and flexible Theology, which is positive without the stiffness of artificial unity, and definite without an unhealthy multiplication of special dogmas. For the uses of practical instruction, Divine truth must take a form and be taught with method. This form, this method, must be comprehensive of the contents and visibly pillared on the facts of Revelation. But, in order that the life, the freshness and power may not be taken out of them, they must be kept abreast of, and more or less colored by, the ever changing phases of human thought and knowledge, and yet not allowed to petrify into scientific formulas, which are nothing unless they are supreme, and which are always

ready to sacrifice the life of spiritual truth to a hard, unyielding precision of statement. Now such a form and method of feeding CHRIST's sheep can be secured and maintained only under such a system as we possess—a system which, moving around CHRIST, as its unchangeable pivot, informs worship with doctrine, and vitalizes doctrine by worship, which “*preaches what it prays and prays what it preaches.*” In all, save refractory and exceptional temperaments, such a Theology will prevent the narrowness and one-sidedness which, siezing upon some one member of the body of truth, converts it into a wedge for splitting asunder and destroying all the rest. Alas! in how many quarters this power is needed, to widen out the narrow brain and correct the partial eye which, with the whole field of truth before them, insist upon omitting from their scheme “regeneration, lest it should be put in the place of conversion; or conversion, lest it should gainsay regeneration; or the remission of sins, lest it should make men trifle with sin; or perseverance, lest it should make men presume; or reprobation, lest it should make men despair; or free grace, lest it should make men immoral; or the need of watchfulness, self-discipline and obedience, lest they should make men legal and self-righteous.”

“Feed the Church of God.” I have endeavored to show what it is to obey this command by showing (1st) that we are to feed the people of God out of the Scriptures and by the Scriptures; (2d) that we are to feed them on CHRIST, as the one only food that can nourish unto eternal life; and (3d) that we are to gather up this food, for the current uses of instruction, into a Theology, living, practical, balanced, and comprehensive; a Theology which, in all its essentials, is the ripened tradition, the finished inheritance of the Christian ages: a Theology which begins and ends with the God of Revelation and which, by declaring the Persons and Offices of the ever-blessed GODHEAD, throws all necessary light upon man's inmost nature—his sin, his need, his sorrow, his loss, his redemption; a Theology, finally, which may welcome, nay, may require the service of human reason, but can never become its creature or its slave.

I had hoped for space to briefly allude to one more very important topic connected with my theme. I will merely suggest it, without any attempt to discuss it. If what has been said be

It follows that no Pastor can feed the flock as he ought, unless on CHRIST, who does not cause every particle of that food to strengthen and compact the Church, which is the Body and the Spouse of CHRIST. Every redeemed individual attains its end, does its highest work, only as it utters forth the glory of God. But this it can do, in needed measure, only as it becomes an organic part of an organic Body, the Church, which is the product of all individual salvations. For the Gospel is ordained chiefly for this end, (1st) "to make all men see what is the mystery of the kingdom of the heavens which, from the beginning of the world has been hid in God, who created all things by JESUS CHRIST;" and (2d) "to the intent that now, unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places, might be known, *by the Church*, the hidden wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in CHRIST JESUS our LORD." So that there can be no life in the soul which is not tributary to the life of the Body; that cannot be the bread of heaven which, in nourishing the individual member, does not, through him, nourish the whole.

Estrangement is weakness, isolation is death. Therefore, it is one of the sore trials of the Church that in our age she has been tempted to feed on bread which is not of God, to sit down at other tables than that spread by her Lord, to accept other guides than those whom He commissions. One of the strange things of history that the human mind should have labored so hard to adulterate or to supplant the only bread which can build up in the soul the life that abideth forever. Never, perhaps, was so much of genius, learning, toil and industry devoted to this end as now. And never were the children of the Church so tried and perplexed as now in separating the true from the false, and generally in maintaining intact the foundations of the faith in the hearts of the young, in the nurture of the household, in the life and discipline of the parish, and in the habit of communities. Bread, such as it is, is everywhere and so cheap that all may have it—bread wrapt in the leaves of the modern Press and stamped with great names in Literature, Science, in Statesmanship and Religion—bread now composed of the chaff of human speculation and leavened with the herbs of human folly and conceit, and now the fruit of mixtures of God's word and man's additions; now made faithful, if not traitorous hands within the Church, and

now by openly hostile ones without the Church. In view of the perilous drift of the time in all matters affecting Religion, not one of us set apart to feed the Church of God but should dwell with searchings of heart upon the duty laid upon him not only to teach what is true, but to banish from CHRIST'S Fold what is false; and consequently not only to study God's message, but man's errors. And as for both there are abundant facilities, so there ought to be abundant time even amid the pressing cares of a laborious Pastorate.

Whether we heed it or no, Pantheism in all its protean shapes and smooth lipped professions; subscribing to all creeds, and ready to minister for all Religions, from Fetishism to Christianity; holding all doctrines as they manifest religious intuitions; denying all doctrines as they fall below the culture of the present inward light; regarding exclusiveness as the only heterodoxy, and dogma as the only curse; affirming the supernatural in Religion to be impossible, inspiration to be the common inheritance of the wise and good of all ages, as well as of Holy men of old, and revelation to be no special, isolated act, but something continuous, progressive and universal; demanding, as appears from a recent manifesto of its disciples, a Church without priesthood or pastors; a Religion without catechism or religious teaching; a worship without mysteries or sacraments; a morality without theology; a God, but without a system or a definition; a general right to the nomenclature of Christianity, as exemplified by the changing caucuses of Free Thought:—whether, I say, we heed it or no, this huge error which floats around modern thought like an atmosphere, subtle, elastic, ubiquitous, has its bread everywhere in the market, and on such terms as will profit the seller though the buyer be poisoned.

There, too, is the materialistic Gospel of perverted Physical Science, which accounts an unclassified bone of more value than the Cross of JESUS, and, under the assumed reign of law, empties the universe of its God; deprives Him of the power to answer, and the human heart of all motive to utter prayer. In league with this is the boastful Humanitarianism of the hour, which sees all possible glories and perfections in the yet undeveloped capabilities of man, and promises to end all evils by the shifting expedients of special reforms in the industrial, domestic and social arrangements of the world. And then passing within the

precincts of Christendom, we are met, on the one side, by the rivalries, anarchies and disintegrations of the Sect principle, which scouts the existence of the visible, historic Church of CHRIST, holding our Religion to be an idea, a force, an influence, whose organization is shaped by circumstances; not an Institution of God, the same in its essential features in all ages and among all races. While, on the other side, we are confronted by Popery, which falsely arrogates the title of the mother and mistress of churches—with her untold millions of souls entangled in the meshes of chronic and incurable corruptions; with her infallibility, virtually superseding the authority of the HOLY GHOST; with her sacrifice of the Mass, putting the natural body of CHRIST at the disposal of priestly power and nullifying the one propitiatory sacrifice on the Cross; with her Confessional dropping a veil of darkness before the Throne of grace. And now the same so-called mother and mistress, as though she had learned nothing from her repeated failure to discredit and cripple all that is characteristic in the life of the last three centuries, threatens to invade once more with her dogmatic assumptions, not only the Faith once delivered to the saints, but the whole sphere of rational progress and regulated liberty, as represented in Ethics, which she has corrupted by her casuistry; in Politics, from which she has been driven by every State in Europe; and in Science, which she dreads with instinctive horror.

Such are the chief of the false and alien pastures into which the Flock are tempted to stray. I may not here speak in detail of the means by which they are to be warned and saved from the coming evil. Certain it is that the rescue will not be achieved by trimming to catch the popular gale; or by compromise either with the Unbelief and the Latitudinarianism, or the Superstition and Idolatry of the hour; or by voluntary Societies organized to attack special errors or to defend special truths; or by discussions teeming with the angry tempers and the noisy platitudes of times of controversy. There is but one road to safety. "Feed the Church of God" on the Faith once for all delivered to the saints. *The Gospel in the Church*, which once converted the world, can alone regain and save the world. Holding firmly, preaching boldly, this Gospel; abandoning no one truth which it enjoins; yielding to no one error which it forbids; neither consenting with one School "to rationalize the Church, that it may become

broad and great by an amalgamation of diversities of sects and opinions," nor with another School of the hour, to bring the Church, by ingenious compromise or open betrayal, into captivity to the spurious and usurping headship of the Bishop of Rome ;—doing this, let us proclaim it everywhere that, setting aside all accidental peculiarities, we are ready to commune with all who would have communicated with the Bishops of Nice, or who stand to-day by the creeds, neither more nor less, of the once undivided Church.

Overseers of the Flock, Stewards of the Mysteries of God, Deputies of CHRIST, after this manner feed the Church purchased by His blood. Though others turn away their ears from the truth and be turned unto fables, I charge you before God and the LORD JESUS CHRIST, who shall judge the quick and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom : preach the Word ; be instant in season and out of season ; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and doctrine ; so shall you, and those who feed upon your doctrine, be strong in the LORD and in the power of His might.

The Primary Address.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

Created on the 27th of January last, to the office and workshop in the Church of God, I at once entered upon my duty in this Diocese, to the chief overseership of which I was specially set apart; though unable to give to it my undivided attention until the first of March following. Since that time I have, with God's help, been able to visit every parish in the Diocese whose church edifice was, at the date of my appointment, undergoing extensive repairs which could not be completed.

I have also officiated in every chapel and at every Mission Station within our limits established before May last. With the exception of two or three weeks of needed rest, I have been constantly engaged in the work of the Diocese.

Thank God that so much has occurred during this Primary Session to strengthen and encourage me. On all sides and in almost unexpected, my heart has been cheered with such generous and visible assurances of sympathy and co-operation, so far from lightening the burden of care suddenly laid upon me, in many of our parishes it has been allowed me to witness the kindling of new life and activity as almost to justify the not uncommon among us, that we have, indeed, entered a nobler era of work and growth.

I would do injustice to myself, and still more to the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, were I not to make formal and most grateful mention of the prompt and generous cordiality with which I have been everywhere received. Indeed not seldom, so were the demonstrations of affectionate reverence for my office, as to inspire me with a more awful sense of its responsibilities, and of the guilt of wasting or neglecting opportunities of usefulness which, when rightly administered, it never fails to afford. If in any case your hospitality was intended to be

personal to myself, it was in nearly all cases, so wisely managed as largely to afford me what I so much desired,—the chance to make myself acquainted individually with the members of your respective flocks. Dear brethren, may God reward you for every word of good cheer spoken, and every act of kindness done to your Bishop during his first visitation among you. In all the coming years of toil—be they many or few—during which he shall be permitted to serve you, not one of them will be forgotten.

EPISCOPAL ACTS.

A detailed Report of these will be presented herewith, to which I must refer you for particulars. The more important of them may be summed up as follows:—1,255 persons have been confirmed; 13 clergy have been received into the Diocese; 11 clergy have been transferred to other Dioceses; 2 candidates for Holy Orders have been ordained to the Diaconate, leaving six now on the list. One Deacon has been ordained to the Priesthood. The incorporation of three new parishes has been approved.

OBITUARY.

The Clergy have lost, since the Primary Convention, but one of their number by death, the Rev. Patrick H. Greenleaf, D.D., rector of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn. Suddenly, though not unexpectedly, he closed a laborious ministry of nearly forty years. To not a few here he was a brother beloved. By his parish he was regarded with profound respect and tender affection. During the period of his earnest and successful pastorate in this city, it was often my privilege to enjoy the advantage of his ripe learning, mature experience, and judicious counsel; and I now recur with gratitude to many enduring proofs of his unselfish kindness, his manly candor and Christian gentleness. He possessed many gifts, which, had he lived, would have made him a most useful and influential member of his body. In spite of increasing and serious bodily infirmities, he continued to the last in his Master's work, and then was called away, not from a bed of sickness, but pen in hand, seated in the vestry of his church, and surrounded with the tokens of his office and the appliances of his work.

THE DIOCESAN CONVENTION.

It is one of our advantages that we do not meet in this Council as strangers to each other. The body is new, but the members enjoy the privilege of an acquaintance and fellowship of long standing. With few exceptions they have often met together to consider the same interests, to do the same work of counsel and legislation as will demand attention here. The methods of organization and procedure, the wants to be provided for, the ends to be attained, are alike familiar to all. This, it is fair to presume, will greatly facilitate the transaction of the business before us, and tend to promote harmony of opinion and unity of action.

The Church is old, though the Diocese is new. So that while we are free to create precedents, and to initiate what will gradually ripen into traditions of our own, there are many of both which we inherit from an older Diocesan life, and which, if we are wise, we will modify not from the love of change but only under the pressure of experience and evident necessity. A large discretion is given us to fashion the mould in which our young life shall be cast; but it would be a sore indiscretion not to study with care, and to appropriate all that time has shown to be valuable in that older mould, whose impress lies visibly to-day upon ourselves, upon our work, and upon our flocks. With us this, let it be remembered, is at once a formative and a transition period. What we now do will have the cumulative force of precedent, and will not easily be undone. It is the dictate of a becoming wisdom and caution that we shall invent as little as possible, and adapt to our own uses as much as we can of rules, laws and methods which have been tried and approved by the Church at large. Certainly this view will govern the exercise of whatever discretion may be reposed in me as your Bishop, and will influence any suggestions as to practical measures which I may deem it expedient to offer. While thus alluding to the claims upon us of an older and riper life, and of an experience won in other relations, and laden with memories of another fellowship, I am reminded of the fact that to-day the mother Diocese holds her annual Council, and gathers around the same Altar her clergy and representative laity. Surely it will not be presuming so much in view of the past, to feel that however they may quiesce in the wisdom of consenting to our separate organic

existence, the venerated Right Rev. Father who presides, and the beloved brethren assembled there, look with sad regret upon the seats vacated by our membership in this new household. With what fraternal solicitude you behold the simultaneous meeting to-day of the three Diocesan Councils, which but a few months ago were parts of one and the same body; with what reverence and affection you remember the parent vine of which we are an offshoot; with what tender regard you cherish the memory of associations which the march of events has forever terminated, I shall leave yourselves to express by such action you may deem suitable.

As for myself I can only say here that the old fellowship full of happy memories to me; and especially that it will be my joy and my prayer to reproduce in the Episcopate of Long Island the largeness of view, the patient industry, the unselfish devotion and purity of life which, in the living incumbent, have blessed and adorned the Episcopate of the mother Diocese.

Upon many matters which will engage your attention I shall offer no opinion. There are a few, however, in regard to which I shall venture a passing word. I am glad to know that a Canon will be submitted for discussion and adoption, looking to the establishment in the Diocese of a Permanent Court for the trial of ecclesiastical offences. Such a Court is no new experiment. It has been fully tested in a sister Diocese, and has been shown to possess many advantages over the system now in general use. Whatever other benefits it may confer, it will at least secure the two things most desirable in the discipline of the Church:—1. A body of triers trained to the exercise of judicial functions, and duly informed of the provisions and bearings of ecclesiastical law. 2. A court the very method of whose appointment will relieve it of all just suspicion of partiality or prejudice, and hence a court whose decisions will command the ready assent of all amenable to its jurisdiction. What evils have arisen from the lack of these two desiderata it were needless here to enumerate. All admit that they are grave and increasing.

But if the Diocese needs a Permanent Court, there is also needed an Appellate Court, which shall secure the right and opportunity of appeal from the decisions of the Diocesan Court. In the want of such right and opportunity, our present judicial system, in the opinion of all competent judges, presents a strain

and oppressive anomaly. This higher court is one of the benefits promised to the Church by the system of federated Dioceses likely to be organized, sooner or later, throughout the Church, under the Permissive Canon enacted by the last General Convention.

Exactly when or how the Federative Council, to which the several Dioceses within this State have already elected Deputies, will be summoned to meet, has not been determined. But whether it shall be convened immediately or not, it is important that we shall mature our views as to the powers which we will consent to delegate to it. A *tertium quid* between the General and Diocesan Conventions, it can become a reality only as it shall exercise powers now exercised by them. There is not much which the organic law of the Church will permit the General Convention to part with. What there is lies solely within the sphere of discipline. To the Diocesan Convention is given a larger discretion as to the transfer of interest over which it has had exclusive jurisdiction. While I desire to see the Federative Council organized, and a suitable sphere of action and influence assigned to it, I deem it undesirable that it should be permitted so far to encroach upon the present work and functions of the Diocesan Convention, as to leave to it the care of only such unimportant details as would fail to attract to its sessions the best ability and experience of the Diocese. This whole subject will no doubt be brought before you, and will deserve, as unquestionably it will receive, your gravest consideration. I will only add what will, I presume, occur to many of you, that it will be premature and inexpedient to attempt, at this time, any legislation in regard to the powers which this Convention may be willing to delegate to a Federate Council. It will be enough, perhaps, to declare by resolution that no plan of a permanent organization for a Federate Council shall be binding upon this Diocese, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention. As long as we retain the right of revision and ratification, we have every needful guarantee against the exercise of any power by the Federate Council which we should be unwilling to surrender.

FREE CHURCHES.

It will surprise many, as it did myself, to learn that we have

in this Diocese ten Free churches and as many Free chapels, being nearly thirty per cent. of our whole number of churches and chapels. Of the Free churches all have parochial organizations. Of the Free chapels some are in charge of the parishes which planted them, and some are Missionary Stations of the Diocese. With two or three exceptions, they are all prosperous, some of them eminently so. Whatever doubt may be expressed, or objections urged in regard to the feasibility of the Free seat system, coupled with the weekly offertory for the maintenance of the services, in parishes long accustomed to the Pew-rent system. I am satisfied from observation, and irrespective of all theory, that it is a most efficient, if not indispensable help in the aggressive missionary work of the Church. It does much to conciliate the favor and secure the attendance of the unsettled, the indifferent and ecclesiastically homeless—classes largely abounding and rapidly increasing not only in this vast city, but in the smaller towns, and even in the remoter rural districts of the Diocese. It enables the poor to enjoy the ministrations of the Church without a sense of intruding where they are not asked. It imparts to our worship and to all our privileges a certain openness, freedom and catholicity, which attract and hold the common people, exciting their sympathy, and with it the disposition to be liberal according to their ability. It goes far toward abolishing all class feelings in the sanctuary, and removing all ground for the charge of exclusiveness among the people of God—the charge now oftenest upon the tongue of the worldling and the unbeliever, and not seldom uttered with a caustic bitterness of censure which the world at large applauds, and which the Church is powerless to answer, under a system which gives privileges to some which it denies to all. This Free system, moreover, emancipates the churches where it prevails from the small tyranny of individual ownerships, and assures to them a freer control over the common property, whether with a view to changes of interior arrangements, or to local improvements, or to multiplied services. The principle on which the system is grounded is seldom stated in its full force, penetrated as it is by the spirit of the Gospel and the genius of a truly Catholic and Apostolic Church, that it does not silence the gainsayer and convince the doubtful. But it is alleged that what is right in theory may, in virtue of insuperable obstacles, be unwise and impolitic in practice. And

this is often true. How true it is in this case will be determined before many years, by movements of opinion and life which, though scarcely more than begun, prove the growth of a healthier and nobler feeling in the Church in regard to the work which she is set to do in this land. The Church exists not only to edify the souls already gathered into her fold, but to convert and save the millions who linger at her outer gate, careless or unwilling to enter. This two-fold object of her being and work she must keep inscribed on her banner in letters of living light, and cause to appear by every lawful expedient in all the highways and by-ways of the great life surging up around her.

If there be the virtue claimed by its advocates in that system of life and work and worship which Free churches represent, the practical difficulties, whatever they may be, which stand in the way of general success and give force to the objections of its opponents, will be overcome. But plainly, as they who have tried it well know, it is not a system which feeds sentimental fancies or encourages an ease-loving, self-indulgent, ornamental churchmanship. It will not push itself. It will not live by its own attractions. It means devotion, work, sacrifice for Pastors and Flocks. It means just those things done for CHRIST's sake and for the love of souls without which the Church has never yet won any lasting victory over an ungodly world. It means that efficiency in carrying the Gospel where it is needed, is of more consequence than genteel luxury, and that services and fellowships in which the Throne of Grace and the Divine Mysteries and the preached Word are equally near and open to all, are to be prized above all customs that began in times of spiritual torpor, and above all personal or family comfort in the house of God.

MISSIONS IN THE DIOCESE.

For the details of our Diocesan Missionary work I must refer you to the Report of the Missionary Committee. That Report will show that we have in the field twelve Missionaries, and that the contributions to the Missionary Fund during the past nine months have amounted to \$4,220, an increase over the amount raised for Diocesan Missions in any previous year of 350 per cent. I have caused it to be understood throughout the Diocese that I desired my visitation to be the occasion in each parish of

an offering for this purpose. I rejoice to say that, with but two exceptions, this wish has been cheerfully complied with, and in many cases the offering has been double, and in some cases quadruple, what it ever was before in the same parishes. Indeed the evidences of a reviving interest in the work, especially among the parishes in Queens and Suffolk counties, have exceeded my anticipation, and have led me to believe that the extension of the Church in these hitherto least promising portions of the Diocese will be pushed with a vigor of action and liberality of offerings never before witnessed in that section.

In Queen's county there is no place of any considerable importance in which our services are not already established, though there are several which begin to give promise of an increasing population, where work ought to be commenced with as little delay as possible. It is hoped that the zeal and energy of the neighboring parishes will be sufficiently awakened to make at least temporary provision for the wants of these less conspicuous points.

In Suffolk county a more difficult and pressing work awaits us. The hindrances to our growth are serious, chiefly because they are chronic. Owing to causes dating far back in the history of this county, the Church did not secure in early times a foothold of any strength. Puritanism and its affiliated systems acquired the first possession of the field, and they have been able to hold it, more from the comparative isolation of the section than from any unusual activity and zeal. The population, though not lacking in intelligence and business thrift, have continued to be so little affected by external influences as to effectually hinder the success of any religious movement that had not the advantage of an early occupation of the ground, or that run counter to established prejudice, or required for its appreciation habits of candid inquiry, and some of the tastes which are the fruit of liberal culture. And then, unfortunately, some of the very few efforts made to plant the Church there in the last generation were not characterized by the wisdom, discretion and earnestness which often win the favor of even hostile communities. As a consequence of these and other causes needless to speak of here, some of the parishes in this county, though organized for many years are still feeble, and require missionary aid, while none are in condition to render very effective help to their weaker neighbors.

a two of the most flourishing and populous towns we have not even a name to live. In one of these no public service has been held, and in the other, after a few attempts to secure the attention of the people, the effort was suspended, because of the impossibility of securing any suitable hall or audience room. Thrifty and promising as these towns are, it could not be ascertained, after due inquiry, that either contained a single member of our Communion, or any one openly interested in establishing its worship. This fact shows what absolutely missionary ground they are to us, and how entirely from without must come the means to sustain any movement that may be made. But no hindrance should be deemed insurmountable where duty calls. There are several other points of less consequence where aggressive work is demanded of us. To meet the needs of this portion of the Diocese three or four additional missionaries should be employed.

Assuming that we shall have the men and the means to support them, it would be a great advantage if they could be organized into an Associate Mission, occupying some central point whence they could conveniently reach the whole population in a given district, whether widely scattered, or collected into hamlets and villages, distributing Tracts, Prayer Books, Bibles, and generally the best issues of our Church Press, promoting an interest in Church schools, if not part of the time engaged in teaching, and holding Cottage services wherever opportunity might offer. If any signal advance movement be made, I trust it will assume this form, and work after some such methods.

In this city and county we have a great work before us. We fail utterly to keep pace with the enormous growth of our population. It is the one supreme sadness of the hour to be obliged to walk around the spreading circumference, through the crowded thoroughfares and by-places of this vast city, and to see how poorly we are meeting the urgencies of the present, or providing for the demands of the future. May God vouchsafe us the open hand and the willing mind to grapple with the work laid at our door. May He pour into the hearts of Pastors and Flocks dwelling in the midst of these thronging multitudes, a spirit which shall put an end to the torpid, random, half-wise, half-foolish efforts of the past.

Grand and costly churches, where there are the desire to build and the wealth to pay for them, have their place and value in

the economy of the Church. But alone, and unsupported by outreaching missionary labors, they are to the actual battle the ignorance and ungodliness of the masses, what regiments parading in holiday attire are to the bloody issues of the tented

If we need them, we need still more as their counterparts: the salt to keep them sweet and pure, a score of ten thousand dollar chapels, with their simple outfits, with their Sunday schools and Parish schools, their Free services, their plain animated Congregational music, their frequent occasions of approach to the Holy Sacrament of CHRIST'S Body and Blood, fervid, instructive and therefore popular Preaching. And to them we need bands of Lay workers who will sift, assort, and leaven with CHRIST'S Word and Spirit, this mixed tumultuous mass around us, acting not in the temper of a capricious, incoherent individualism, but under authority, and characterized by steadiness and directness and endurance of organized and operative labor. Brethren of the Laity, make this work your own. Give to it your sympathy, your care, and some fair portion of the wealth God has given to you.

Brethren of the Clergy, I beg you so to ponder this matter, with glowing tongues, and with minds fired with a sense of the Mission on which CHRIST has sent you forth among men, you impress it more and more upon the souls given into your charge and be found yourselves, as occasion shall offer, practically engaged in carrying the Gospel to those who are ready to perish outside the limits of your respective cures.

And as indicating the direction, if not the precise form of the efforts which I desire to see more largely inaugurated, I refer you with gratitude to God, a scene which I witnessed on a Saturday morning of May last, in the basement room of the Church of the Saviour in this city, where a Sewing-School was assembled, composed of nearly four hundred children of the neighboring parishes, and taught by some forty young women of the Church; to the not only the useful handicraft which gives name to the School, but with that, other things which pave the way for the introduction of Christian truth, and the formation of Christian habits. I recall also the remarkable work done during the past year among the Germans at the College Point Mission, and among the friendless poor at the Town Farm Mission—both nobly sustained by the rector and people of St. George's, Flushing.

THE CHURCH CHARITY FOUNDATION.

I beg to call your especial attention to this noble beginning of a great work, destined beyond any other now in the Diocese to take hold upon the future. This Foundation is so broadly built as to provide for the organization, under its charter, of nearly every form of Christian benevolence toward the sick and needy. It is its purpose to draw around it, as time rolls on, an ever-increasing cluster of affiliated charities, and to stand at the centre of an ever-widening circle of good works and of tender solitudes for CHRIST'S suffering children. It is intended, as the ability shall be given it, to shelter and care for friendless childhood and hapless old age, for married couples near the close of life and reduced to poverty, for the sick who shall be gathered into infirmaries and hospitals. It is also part of its comprehensive design to create a training school for nurses of the sick, a home for those who shall devote their lives to works of mercy, and a dispensary for the outside sick poor.

What it has already done and become I have styled a mere beginning. And yet, viewed in this light, it has accomplished a noble result. It has opened two of its departments, now occupied by some seventy inmates. Out of the gifts of the living and of the dead it has accumulated property in the shape of real estate, and invested funds amounting to \$100,000. It has its own tasteful and well-appointed chapel, with its daily services by a regularly officiating chaplain, who is charged with the religious care and general discipline of the Home. The governing authority is vested in a Board of Managers, and the details of the internal management are directed by a body of female associates, both (under a recent enlargement of the charter giving to the institution a Diocesan character) chosen from various parts of the Diocese. Originally the offspring of the loving zeal of most of the parishes in Brooklyn, exclusively sustained by them, and deriving all its present endowment and property from the same source, it is now, with all its benefits, present and prospective, thrown open to the whole Diocese, whose cordial interest it craves, and whose liberality in its support and co-operation in its future enlargement it confidently anticipates. Certainly a Foundation for our organized charities, already so well established and so comprehensive, ought to challenge at once the practical sympathy and ready help of the Diocese, as if property

sustained and suitably enlarged to meet the growing demands upon its care, it certainly will reflect credit upon the Diocese, and in every part of it cause its beneficial influences to be felt.

In my own judgment, and in the judgment of others best informed, the time has come to provide such additional buildings as will enable the Managers to establish another long contemplated department of the Charity—a department for the support of which we have already a special endowment of nearly \$30,000. I trust that I shall be able to announce to the next Convention that ample means for this purpose have been secured. There is no more precious fruit to be gathered from the tree of God's gracious planting than can be found in this "Charity," if properly developed. It will minister life to the doctrine we preach, and health to the Church which fosters it. It will be a very fire of love, flaming up on all sides around the centre of our Diocesan work, warming and purifying, as by a certain heavenly heat, all who share in its maintenance or in its benefits.

CHURCH SCHOOLS.

This interest of the Church, so unspeakably important in all its bearings, is beginning to attract some little attention. Here and there individual minds are gradually awakening to the grave issues which it involves; though it must be admitted, with profound sorrow, that generally a most criminal apathy upon this subject continues to prevail. There are signs in the Church and out of it which encourage the belief that our chronic indifference in regard to the only true education of our children, will soon give way under the pressure of facts which can no longer be concealed or neglected. The General Convention, in October last, put upon record a most emphatic utterance of its convictions touching the Church's duty in the education of her own children. With one consent it declared in the Lower House by formal resolution,

"Its conviction that the Church ought to consider the Christian education of her children, as a work which she is bound to promote in her organic, corporate capacity, and as of coördinate importance with her Missionary work"; and in both Houses "That the subject of a Training School for teachers, and Associations of such, male and female, under the regulation of the

voluntarily bound to go where the Church needs them, in our children for Christ, as a work of love and mercy on our souls, is one of vast importance, and is commended to the careful consideration of Churchmen."

For resolution looking to immediate practical measures, adopted by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, expressed in these words: "That it be recommended to each diocese to appoint a Standing Committee on Christian Education to consider the best means for the establishment and efficient management of Christian schools"; a recommendation which I should have considered and acted upon by this House. It is on this subject which the clergy must agitate in the pulpit, and urge by their moral advice and admonition. While they remain silent on this subject it is idle to hope that the laity will feel or act as they should. The Church is chargeable with many errors, but none more serious than that which involved an absolute surrender to the secular power of her once unchallenged, though abused and neglected, influence over the training of youth. The time has come in this land—some of the gravest of the hour forcing this conclusion upon us—when we must strive with whatever means in her power, to counteract this influence and to assume her proper attitude of oversight and responsibility. Her own instinct, aside from facts of the time which well fill her with alarm, tells her that nothing short of a complete reformation will answer, if she means to perpetuate the normal type of Christian life, to preserve the integrity of her traditional teaching, to maintain the spiritual power of her divine message, or to stand firm and strengthen amid the present religious tumult and confusion of this people, the belief, reverence and loyalty of her members.

It is not my purpose on this occasion to examine or to criticise the system which, for more than two generations, has shaped the thought and governed the practice of our people. Be its virtues what they may, it must be admitted on all hands that under the influence of practical Infidelity on the one side, and Romanism on the other, it has lost every distinctively Christian element. It is no longer, in fact, the system which its framers devised. It has come to regard as tolerable, if not as necessary, what its first framers would have viewed with alarm and indignation. I mean the generally, if not the universally,

permitted separation of religion and learning. For us, such a system, however popular it may be, utters a note of warning which it were treason to the Reformed Catholic Church in this country longer to disregard.

In this connection I am glad to be able to report that almost coeval with our organization as a Diocese a number of schools have sprung into existence—some by the enterprise and activity of private individuals, and some through the official action of several of the clergy; but all in a greater or less degree under the influence of the Church. Besides three parish schools, we have in the city five schools which have no parochial connection, and therefore invite the patronage generally of Church people. Though started under adverse circumstances, without private capital or friends to provide it, without any decided local interest or sympathy, some of these schools have already secured a foothold; and if a healthier sentiment prevailed, if Church parents would think more of the substantial benefits they offer, and less of a few minor defects which time and increased income will remove, there is not one of them that would not become well established and liberally self-supporting in one year. As for myself, I shall do what I can to promote their growth and prosperity, and I earnestly invite the coöperation of the Clergy and Laity of this city and the whole Diocese.

The following is a list of these schools in Brooklyn :

Trinity Classical and English School, the Rev. T. G. Valpy, Head Master, with three assistant teachers, 25 Clinton street.

Mrs. B. B. Newton's Boarding and Day School, with an efficient corps of teachers, 186 Henry street.

The Keble School for Girls, by Mrs. Marvin, with efficient assistants.

Mrs. Hilton's Select Boarding and Day School, with competent teachers in all departments, 210 Schermerhorn street.

St. Stephen's School, by Mrs. Hardenburg, under the pastoral oversight of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, rector of St. Stephen's parish.

Of these, Trinity School will be incorporated during the Autumn, or as early in the coming Winter as possible. Under Mr. Valpy's experienced and able management it cannot fail to grow rapidly in favor and influence.

To this list may be added, outside of Brooklyn,

The Young Ladies Seminary, Glen Cove, J. R. Burwood, Principal.

The Hempstead Collegiate School, Hempstead, J. J. A. Morgan, Principal (now a candidate for Holy Orders).

Private Church School, Jamaica, by the Rev. Mr. Stocking.

St. Mark's School, Islip, by the Rev. Reuben Riley, which though suspended at present, it is hoped will soon be re-opened.

Though there are other topics of interest pressing upon my mind, as connected with the work of the Diocese, I will not trespass upon your time farther.

Upon your deliberations and upon the results to which they may lead, I invoke the blessing of the Church's Head, even **CHRIST our LORD**, present with us by the **HOLY GHOST**; loving Whom as we ought, we shall fervently love one another with a pure heart, and be ready to take up and finish with joy the work laid upon us for the salvation of souls and the glory of God.

Visitations and Acts.

January 27. I presided at and addressed a meeting in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, in aid of Missions in Oregon.

January 31, A. M. I preached in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

January 31, P. M. In St. James' Chapel, Brooklyn, I addressed the congregation, confirmed 63 and addressed them.

February 2. I attended the consecration of the Bishop of New York and acted as one of the Presenters of the Bishop Elect.

February 5. I addressed a Missionary Meeting in the Academy of Music, New York.

February 7, A. M. I preached in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

February 7, P. M. I presided at the Anniversary Meeting of the Church Home, in Brooklyn.

February 8. I presided at a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Church Charity Foundation.

February 10, Ash Wednesday. I preached at Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn.

Sunday, February 14. I addressed the congregation of Trinity Church, Brooklyn, on the Increase of the Ministry.

Sunday, February 14, P. M. I preached in the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn.

February 15. I presided at a meeting of the Domestic Missions Committee, in New York.

February 16. I confirmed two persons in private: Rev. M. G. Gould, Rector of Trinity Church, East New York, presenting them.

February 17. I officiated at a funeral.

February 16. I admitted William Hooper Berrian as a candidate for Deacon's and Priest's Orders.

February 19. I ordained Rev. Joshua Kimber, Deacon, of George's Church, Flushing.

February 19. I lectured in Holy Trinity Chapel in the evening.

Sunday, February 21, A.M. I preached in Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

Sunday, February 21, P.M. I opened St. Stephen's Chapel, Brooklyn, addressed the congregation, confirmed 11 and addressed them.

February 26. I gave my consent to the consecration of Rev. Dr. Huntington, Bishop Elect of Central New York.

Sunday, February 28. I preached in Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, A.M. and P.M.

March 4. I presided at a meeting of the Diocesan Missionary Committee.

March 4, P.M. I preached in St. Peter's Chapel, Brooklyn.

Sunday, March 7, A.M. St. Saviour's Church, Maspeth, I preached, celebrated the Holy Communion and confirmed 10.

Sunday, March 7, P.M. I preached in the Church of the Reformation, Brooklyn.

March 8. I presided at a meeting of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese.

March 8. I presided in the evening at a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Church Charity Foundation.

March 9. I assisted at the funeral of the Rev. A. D. Gillette, D.D., in the Church of the Holy Trinity.

March 10. I licensed Rev. M. M. Benton, Deacon, to preach in this Diocese, he having been already licensed by the Bishops of Kentucky and New York.

Sunday, March 14, A.M. In St. Mary's, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 31 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, March 14, P.M. I catechised and addressed the Sunday School.

Sunday, March 14, Evening. In St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 54 persons, and addressed them.

March 15. I presided at Diocesan Missionary Committee Meeting.

March 15. I presided at a Meeting of Board of Managers of the Church Charity Foundation.

March 17. I confirmed one person, in private, belonging to Grace Church, Brooklyn—the Rector presenting the candidate.

March 17, P. M. I addressed the congregation of St. Brooklyn, on the need of increased Lay Agency, and publicised Mr. Henry Betts Cornwell, as Lay Reader and Catechist, parish, the Rector nominating him.

Sunday, March 21, A. M. In St. Paul's, Flatbush, I preached, confirmed 13 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, March 21, P. M. In Grace Church, Brooklyn He confirmed 39 persons and addressed them.

March 22. I preached in Holy Trinity Mission Chapel. E confirmed two persons and addressed them.

March 23. In St. John's, Fort Hamilton, preached, confirmed 12 persons and addressed them.

March 24. In St. Stephen's Chapel, Brooklyn, second visit six weeks, I confirmed 8 persons and addressed them.

March 25. I confirmed one person in private, presented by Hoffman, Rector of Grace Church.

March 25. P. M. In St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 11 persons and addressed them.

March 26, P. M. In Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn. I preached, confirmed 22 persons and addressed them.

March 27. P. M. In Church of Our Saviour, I preached, confirmed 22 persons and addressed them.

Easter, March 28, A. M. In Christ Church, Brooklyn, I preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, confirmed 35 and addressed them. Also met and addressed the Sunday School.

Easter, March 28, P. M. I presided at the S. S. Anniversary of Holy Trinity, and addressed the Sunday School and congregation.

Easter, March 28, Evening. In Grace Church, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 17 persons and addressed them.

March 31. In St. John's Chapel, Sayville, I preached, confirmed 9 persons and addressed them.

April 1. In St. Paul's Church, Patchogue. I preached, confirmed congregation.

April 2. In St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn, I preached.

April 3. In the Church of Our Saviour, Brooklyn, I inspected and addressed the Girls' Sewing School, numbering 400 children.

Sunday, April 4, A. M. In the Church of the Redeemer, Astoria, I preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, confirmed 16 persons and addressed them. I addressed also the Sunday School.

Sunday, April 4, P. M. In the Church of the Ascension, Greenpoint, I preached, confirmed 27 persons and addressed them; confirmed also, one in private.

Sunday, April 4, Evening. In St. John's Church, Long Island City, I preached, confirmed 7 persons and addressed them.

April 6. In St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, I confirmed 2 persons (special confirmation).

Sunday, April 11, A. M. In Christ Church, Brooklyn, I confirmed 33 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, April 11, P. M. In All Saints' Church, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 9 persons and addressed them; also the Sunday School.

Sunday, April 11, Evening. In Christ Chapel, Red Hook, I confirmed 31 persons.

April 12. I was notified by the Presiding Bishop of the Consecration of Rev. W. K. Macrorie, to be Bishop of Natal, and in Lakeland, on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, by the Metropolitan of Capetown, assisted by the Bishops of the Province.

Sunday, April 18, A. M. In St. John's Church, Brooklyn, I addressed the congregation, confirmed 45 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, April 18, P. M. In Church of the Evangelists, I preached, confirmed 4 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, April 18, Evening. In Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 23 persons and addressed them.

April 20. I officiated at a marriage.

April 23. In St. Peter's Chapel, Brooklyn, I preached and confirmed 7 persons.

Sunday, April 25. In St. Ann's Chapel, I preached, confirmed 36 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, April 25, P. M. I preached in St. Ann's Church.

Sunday, April 25, Evening. I preached in the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn.

April 29. I licensed Mr. John J. Barry, as Lay Reader and

Catechist for six months—to officiate in Holy Trinity Mission Chapel Brooklyn.

Sunday, May 2, A. M. In Grace Church, Jamaica. I preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, confirmed 19 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, May 2, P. M. Church of the Holy Communion, Cypress Hills, I preached, confirmed 7 persons and addressed them.

Sunday May 2, Evening. In Trinity Church, East New York, preached, confirmed 23 persons and addressed them.

May 3. I presided at a Meeting of the Board of Managers, of the Church Charity Foundation.

May 4. I officiated at a marriage.

Ascension Day, May 6. I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Church Charity Foundation.

Sunday, May 9, A. M. In St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn. I preached, confirmed 31 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, May 9, P. M. In St. Matthew's Church, Brooklyn, preached, confirmed 20 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, May 9, Evening. I preached in St. Andrew's Church Brooklyn.

May 11. Presided at Delegate Meeting of the Board of Missions in Trinity Church, Newark, delivered an address and celebrated the Holy Communion.

Whitsunday, May 16, A. M. In St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, E. D. I preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, confirmed 10 persons and addressed them.

Whitsunday, May 16, P. M. I catechised and addressed the Sunday School of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, E. D.

Whitsunday, May 16, Evening. I addressed the congregation of St. Mark's, E. D., confirmed 20 persons and addressed them.

May 18. I presided at a preliminary meeting of the friends of Church Home with a view to the enlargement of the Institution.

May 19. In Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, I ordained R. Henry A. Dows, Deacon, and Rev. Henry V. Degen, Priest; this being the Annual Whitsuntide Ordination.

Trinity Sunday, May 23, A. M. In Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights

I addressed the congregation on the occasion of Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D., entering upon his duties as Rector of the Parish; and with him celebrated the Holy Communion.

Trinity Sunday, May 23, P. M. In the Church of the Atonement, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 19 and addressed them.

Trinity Sunday, May 23, Evening. In St. Michael's Church, Brooklyn. I preached, confirmed 10 and addressed them.

May 27. Presided at a meeting of the friends of the Church Home.

Sunday, May 30. In Christ Church, Bay Ridge. I preached, confirmed 7 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, May 30, P. M. I laid the Corner Stone of the Chapel of All Saints' Church, Brooklyn. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Schenck of Brooklyn and Rev. Dr. Wharton, of Mass.

Sunday, May 30, P. M. In the Church of the Mediator, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed 26 persons and addressed them.

Sunday, May 30, Evening. In Calvary Church, Brooklyn, E. D., I preached, confirmed 20 persons and addressed them.

Third Sunday after Trinity, June 13, A. M. St. George's. Hempstead, I preached, confirmed 24 persons and addressed them.

June 14, P. M. Trinity Chapel, Roslyn, I preached, confirmed 8 persons and addressed them; I confirmed one in private.

June 15, P. M. I laid the Corner Stone of the Chapel of St. John's Church, Brooklyn. The addresses were by the Rev. S. R. Johnson, D.D., the Rev. Geo. F. Seymour, D.D. and myself.

June 18. I attended the Closing Examinations and Exercises of Trinity School.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, June 20. At St. James', Newtown, in the A. M., I preached, confirmed 22 persons and addressed them.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity, June 20, P. M. At Zion, Little Neck, I preached, confirmed 20 persons and addressed them.

June 24. I attended a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, New York.

June 24, P. M. Officiated at the funeral of Rev. Patrick H. Greenleaf, D.D.

June 25. I delivered the Annual Commencement Address, before

the Faculty and Graduating Class of the General Theological Seminary, New York.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity, June 27, A.M. St. George's, Flushing I preached, confirmed 35 persons and addressed them.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity, June 27, P. M. Grace, Whitestone preached, confirmed 17 persons and addressed them.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity, June 27, Evening. St. Paul's, College Point, preached and confirmed 72 persons.

June 28. At the Town Farm Mission, preached, confirmed persons and addressed them.

St. Peter's Day, June 29, Evening. In Grace Church, Brooklyn E. D., I preached and confirmed 32 persons.

July 1. In St. James' Chapel, Brooklyn, confirmed 22 persons and addressed them.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 4. In St. Paul's, Glenside I preached, confirmed eight persons and addressed them.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 4, P. M. Christ, Oyster Bay preached, confirmed 20 persons and addressed them.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity, Evening. Mission at Syosset, I baptized two infants and preached.

July 7. I attended the Annual Meeting of the Trustees of Stephen's College, Annandale.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 11, A. M. St. John's, Coney Spring, I preached, confirmed 15 persons and addressed them.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity, P. M. St. John's, Huntington I preached, confirmed 12 persons and addressed them.

July 12. I addressed and catechised the Sunday School of St. John's, Huntington.

July 14, A. M. Caroline Church, Setauket, I preached, confirmed seven persons and addressed them.

July 15. I visited Port Jefferson.

July 16, A. M. Holy Trinity, Greenport, I preached.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, July 18, A.M. St. John's, East Long Beach I preached, confirmed three persons, also two in private.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, July 18, P. M. St. Mary's, Rockville Centre, I preached, confirmed eight persons and addressed them.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity, July 18, Evening. St. James', Smithtown, I preached and confirmed 14 persons.

July 19. I visited St. John-Land.

July 20, Evening. St. Paul's, Patchogue, I preached.

July 21, P. M. St. Andrew's, Yaphank, I preached and baptized one infant.

July 21. I licensed William Jones Weeks, as Lay Reader, in St. Andrew's Chapel, Yaphank.

July 22, P. M. Christ Church, Sag Harbor, I preached, confirmed 23 persons and addressed them. Confirmed one in private.

July 23, A. M. Chapel, East Hampton, I preached and confirmed one person.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, July 25, A. M. Trinity Church, Rockaway, I preached, confirmed twenty-four persons and addressed them.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, July 25, P. M. Trinity Chapel, Rockaway, I preached.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August 1, A. M. Christ Church, South Oyster Bay, I preached, confirmed 13 persons and addressed them. I celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rector.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August 1, P. M. Trinity Church, Babylon, I preached and confirmed 5 persons.

August 6, P. M. Mission Chapel, Youngsport, I preached.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 8, A. M. St. Mark's, Islip, I preached, confirmed twenty persons and addressed them.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 8, P. M., at three o'clock, I preached at Brentwood, in the School House.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 8, P. M., at five o'clock, I preached at Central Islip, in the School House.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 15. I read morning service in private house, in Fulton County, N. Y., also evening prayer and preached.

August 29. I preached, morning and evening, in the Episcopal Chapel, at Luzerne, in Northern New York.

September 5. I preached, morning and evening, in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, Michigan.

September 6. I united in holding evening service with the Clergy of Western Michigan, assembled in Convocation.

September 12. I read evening prayer and preached in the Presbyterian House of Worship, in Broad Albin, N. Y.

September 19, A.M. At the Opening Service of the new St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, I addressed the congregation, confirmed 21 persons and addressed them ; and then, assisted by the Rector, I celebrated the Holy Communion.

September 19, P. M. Preached in St. Mary's, Brooklyn.

September 20. I met with the Missionary Committee of the Diocese.

September 21. I assisted the Rector of Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, at a funeral.

September 26, A. M. In St. George's Church, Astoria, I preached and confirmed 4 persons.

September 26, P. M. In St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, I preached and confirmed 5 persons.

Candidates for Deacon's and Priest's Orders.

WILLIAM HOOPER BERRIAN,	-	-	-	February 16, 1869.
DOMINIC McCaffrey,	-	-	-	May 17, 1869.
JOHN J. A. MORGAN,	-	-	-	June 26, 1869.
HENRY BETTS CORNWELL,	-	-	-	June 26, 1869.
JOHN C. HEWLETT,	-	-	-	September 27, 1869.
OLIVER S. TAYLOR,	-	-	-	September 27, 1869.

Ordained to the Restricted Diaconate.

MR. JOSHUA KIMBER,	-	-	-	February 19, 1869.
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Ordained to the Diaconate.

MR. HENRY A. DOWS,	-	-	-	May 19, 1869.
(This candidate has passed the Three Examinations for Priest's Orders.)				

Ordained to the Priesthood.

REV. HENRY V. DEGEN,	-	-	-	May 19, 1869.
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Resignation of Parishes.

I have received notice of the Resignation, by the Clergymen named below, of the Parishes respectively mentioned :

The REV. GEORGE E. THRALL, of the Rectorship of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn.

The REV. E. A. HOFFMAN, D.D., of the Rectorship of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights.

The REV. RICHARD ADAMS, of the Rectorship of St. Andrew's, Brooklyn.

The REV. C. E. BUTLER, of the Charge of Red Hook Mission Chapel.

The REV. WILLIAM H. DE L. GRANNIS, of the Rectorship of St. John's, Fort Hamilton.

The REV. GEORGE F. BUGBEE, of the Rectorship of Christ Church, Manhasset.

The REV. WILLIAM T. WEBBE, of the Rectorship of St. Michael's Church, Brooklyn.

The REV. DAVID F. MACDONALD, D.D., of the Rectorship of Christ Church, Sag Harbor.

Clergymen Appointed to Cures.

I have received, in behalf of the Clergymen named below, the Canonical Certificate of their election to the Cures respectively mentioned. In each case I have transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention, for record by him, the certificate required by the Canon :

The REV. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D., to the Rectorship of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

The REV. THOMAS R. HARRIS, to the Rectorship of St. John's, Cold Spring Harbor.

The REV. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D., to the Rectorship of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights.

The REV. JOHN W. BUCKMASTER, to the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Smithtown.

The REV. WILLIAM C. COOLEY, to the Rectorship of St. Saviour's Church, Maspeth.

The REV. HENRY V. DEGEN, as Assistant Minister of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn.

The REV. JAMES E. HOMANS, to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Manhasset.

The REV. CHARLES H. VANDYNE, to the Rectorship of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood.

The REV. CHARLES E. HOVEY, to the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton.

The REV. HENRY L. WALBRIDGE, D. D., to the Rectorship of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn.

The REV. RICHARD B. DUANE, D. D., to the Rectorship of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn.

The REV. CHARLES HIGBEE, to the Rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn.

Clergymen Received into the Diocese.

March 2, The REV. CHARLES H. HALL, D. D., from the Diocese of Maryland.

May 2, The REV. JOHN G. MULLHOLLAND, from the Diocese of Huron, Canada.

May 6, The REV. HENRY V. DEGEN, from the Diocese of New York.

May 8, The REV. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D. D., from the Diocese of Michigan.

June 16, The REV. JAMES E. HOMANS, from the Diocese of New York.

June 16, The REV. THOMAS R. HARRIS, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

June 17, The REV. A. M. WYLIE, from the Diocese of Mass.

July 8, The REV. JOHN W. BUCKMASTER, from the Diocese of Michigan.

August 10, The REV. CHARLES H. VANDYNE, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

September 13, The REV. HENRY E. HOVEY, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

September 20, The REV. HENRY B. WALBRIDGE, D. D., from the Diocese of Western New York.

September 20, The REV. RICHARD B. DUANE, D. D., from the Diocese of Rhode Island.

September 20, The REV. WILLIAM C. COOLEY, from the Diocese of Ohio.

Clergymen Deceased.

The REV. PATRICK H. GREENLEAF, D. D.,

Clergymen Deposed.

I have received notice of the deposition of the following clergymen :

REV. SAMUEL HERMAN, by the MISSIONARY BISHOP OF NEBRASKA.

REV. J. J. TALBOTT, by the BISHOP OF CALIFORNIA.

REV. HENRY W. WOOD, by the BISHOP OF ILLINOIS.

REV. JOHN W. SHATZEL, by the BISHOP OF MINNESOTA.

Letters Dimissory Granted.

I have granted Letters Dimissory, at their request, to the following clergymen, and have received notice of the acceptance of the same from the respective Ecclesiastical Authorities :

February 18, The REV. WILLIAM BOGART WALKER, to Albany.

February 18, The REV. MORTIMER A. HYDE, to Michigan.

February 18, The REV. E. HUNTINGTON SAUNDERS, to Connecticut.

March 18, The REV. GEORGE E. THRALL, to New York.

April 20, The REV. EUGENE A. HOFFMAN, D.D., to Pennsylvania.

April 20, The REV. RICHARD S. ADAMS, to Albany.

May 13, The REV. CARLOS E. BUTLER, to Albany.

May 15, The REV. WM. H. DE L. GRANNIS, to New York.

May 28, The REV. GEORGE F. BUGBEE, to Illinois.

New Parishes : Incorporation Approved.

The Church of the Holy Communion, Cypress Hills.

Trinity Church, Roslyn.

Church of the Mediator, Brooklyn.

Corner Stones Laid.

1869, May 30, of the Chapel of All Saints' Church, Brooklyn.

1869, June 15, of the Chapel of St. John's Church, Brooklyn.

Examining Chaplains.

I have appointed the REV. CHARLES H. HALL, D. D., and
REV. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D. D., Examining Chaplains.

Summary.

The following is a summary of Episcopal Acts in the diocese,
since my consecration, January 27, 1869 :

Number Baptized (infants).....	3
Number of persons Confirmed.....	1,255
Candidates Ordained to the Diaconate.....	2
Candidates Ordained to the Priesthood.....	1
Corner Stones Laid	2
New Parishes whose Incorporation has been approved....	3
Clergymen received from other Dioceses.....	13
Clergymen transferred to other Dioceses.....	11
Lay Readers and Catechists Licensed.....	6

ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D. D.,

Bishop of Long Island.

APPENDIX I.

Parochial and Clerical Reports.

The following Reports are published in accordance with Section I., of Canon 15, Title I., of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention, to which attention is respectfully requested :

Of the Mode of securing an accurate View of the State of the Church.
As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or if the Parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in his Parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish, also of the amount of the Communion alms, the contributions for missions, diocesan, domestic and foreign, for Parochial schools, for Church purposes in general; and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

KINGS COUNTY.

• CHRIST CHURCH, BAY RIDGE.

The Rev. J. A. Aspinwall, Rector.

Families, 60; **Individuals**, 230.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 5; Total, 7.

Confirmed, 7. **Burials**, 6.

Communicants: Admitted, 7. Present Number, 101.

Holy Communion: Public, Monthly, Easter and Christmas day.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male 6, Female, 9; Total 15.

Scholars, Total, 120.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 10; of Catechumens, 120.

I have also two Bible Classes, which meet in my study every week; Ladies on Tuesday, at 3½ P. M.; Gentlemen on Friday evening, at 7½ P. M., both taught by myself.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$288 70; Sunday School, \$205 30; Sunday School Offerings, \$300; New Church Organ (all paid for), \$2,800; New Bell, 1,561 lbs. (all paid for), \$641 04; Parish Expenses, different kinds, since Primary Convention, \$2,500.

Total..... \$6,735 04

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$105; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$100; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$15; Ladies Sewing Society, part distributed within Diocese and part outside, \$450.

Total..... \$700 00

GENERAL: American Church Missionary Society, \$92 74; Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$144; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$150; Mission House, Philadelphia, Penn., \$220; Mission to the Jews, \$11.

Total..... \$617 74

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$8,052 78.

This Parish was organized June 13th, 1854.

Under the Divine blessing, we have been enabled to complete our new Church building, giving us double the number of pews as were in the old. The new Church to-day is very nearly as full as the old one was less than a year ago. We still have a debt which we expect to clear off before very long.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William D'Orville Doty, Rector.

Families, 68; Individuals, included in families and others, about 200 in all.

Baptisms: Adults, 8; Infants, 16; Total, 24.

Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 4; Burials, 8.

Communicants: Admitted, 16; Received, 9; Removed, 7; Died, 3 -

Present Number, 97.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Total, 18.

Private, 6.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 8; Total, 60.
 Evening Prayer: Sundays, 60; Holy Days, 2; Other Days, 20; Total, 82.
 Sermons, 77. Lectures and other Addresses, 48.
 Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 9, including 4 Officers; Female, 9;
 Total, 18.
 Scholars, Male, 60; Female, 90; Total, 150.
 Public Catechetical Instruction; Number Times, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL; Alms at the Holy Communion, \$89 64; Sunday School,
 \$1 3 73; Sunday School Offerings for Building Fund, \$600; Easter Offer-
 ing for Building Fund, \$51 07; Subscription to Building Fund, \$2,500;
 For support of the Church, \$1,150; Total..... \$4,404 44
 DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$21; Church Charity
 Foundation of Long Island, \$10; Total \$31 00
 GENERAL: Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$14 78; American Church
 Missionary Society, \$15; Total..... \$29 78

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$4,465 22

This Parish was organized on the first Sunday in August, 1867. The date of incorporation is September 16th, A. D., 1867.

The growth of All Saints' Church has been manifest in a steady increase of the congregation; of the number of its communicants and of the Sunday School. The necessity of a place of worship has been forced upon the Parish. They have accordingly bought seven lots of land, corner of Seventh Avenue and Seventh Street, for the erection of Church, Chapel and Rectory.

On the morning of Tuesday, May 25th, the Rector broke ground, and upon the afternoon of the 30th, it being the first Sunday after Trinity, the Bishop of the Diocese laid the Corner Stone of the Chapel of All Saints' Church. This Chapel is now in process of erection, and will probably be completed this year.

The Parish, though weak in numbers and resources, is in a flourishing condition.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William Hyde, Rector.

Number of Families, 101.

Baptisms, 33.

Confirmed, 18; Marriages, 4; Burials, 21.

Communicants: Added, 42; Removed 10; Died, 2.

Present Number, 70.

Sunday School: Scholars, 315.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS for Various Purposes..... \$1,961 26

CHRIST CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. E. H. Canfield, D.D., Rector.

The Rev. Charles H. Tucker, in charge of Christ Mission.

Number of Families, 200; Of Individuals, 1,000.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; Infants, 57; Total, 60.

Confirmed, 64; Marriages, 20; Burials, 25.

Communicants: Present Number, 527.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS, about..... \$15,000 00

Owing to my prolonged illness and absence from the city, I have not been able to prepare a full Report. Of the number of persons confirmed (64), thirty-three were in Christ Church, and thirty-one in the Chapel. The aggregate of the contributions of the congregation for various religious and benevolent objects, I should think, exceed those of any previous year. An accurate report would not in other respects vary materially from that of last year. The Chapel in the Twelfth Ward (Red Hook), has been greatly blessed, notwithstanding the disadvantages arising from temporary supplies of its pulpit for a portion of the year.

CHURCH CHARITY FOUNDATION, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Wm. D. Harlow, Warden.

Families, 1; Individuals, 85.

Baptisms: Infants, 6.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Received 6; Removed, 4. Present Number, 29.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 14.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 313; Total, 365.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 313; Total, 365.

Sermons, 52. Lectures and other Addresses, 10.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 1; Female, 3; Total, 4.

Scholars, Male, 30; Female, 20; Total, 50.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number Times, 52; of Catechumens, ~~2~~

Daily Parish School: Teachers: Female, 1.

Scholars: Male, 30; Female, 20; Total, 50.

The Homes for the Aged and Orphan, on the Church Charity Foundation, are full of inmates, and there are constant applications for the admission of others ; but until our building is enlarged this want cannot be supplied. We are pained in having to state, that many of the parishes have not raised the sums expected of them for the support of this charity, and, at present, there is considerable apprehension for the future.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Henry B. Walbridge, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms : Adults, 4 ; Infants, 20 ; Total, 24.
Confirmed, 20. Marriages, 10. Burials, 6.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$208 97 ; Sunday School, \$7 00 ; Industrial School, 51 55 ; Erection of Sunday School and Vestry Rooms, \$7,000 00. Total.....\$7,287 52

DIOCESAN : Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy..... 18 57

GENERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society.. 72 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$7,378 09

The Rev. Patrick H. Greenleaf, D.D., who by life and doctrine has set forth the true and lively word of the Gospel, and duly administered the Holy Sacraments of Christ in this parish for the past seven years, was suddenly called to the rewards of his stewardship, on the 21st day of June.

Everywhere among the people to whom he has thus ministered, a sweet sorrow of pleasant memories springs up at the mention of his name. And a few express a deep sense of bereavement—honorable alike to him and them—as at once attesting his faithfulness and their gratitude.

The present rector has not the requisite information to enable him to make a more complete report of the works of his predecessor. And, by reason of the recentness of his connection with the parish, is unprepared to speak definitely of the number of its families and communicants.

CHURCH OF THE EVANGELISTS, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. B. S. Huntington, Rector.

Families, 20 ; Individuals, 100.

Confirmed, 4. Burials, 2.

Communicants : Admitted, 4 ; Received, 6 ; Removed, 3 ; Died, 1.

Present Number, 50.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 8 ; Private, 1 ; Total, 9.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 39 ; Holy Days, 2 ; Other Days, 4 ; Total, 45.
Evening Prayer : Sundays, 6 ; Other Days, 6 ; Total, 12.
Sermons, 56. Lectures and other Addresses, 16.
Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 2 ; Female, 6 ; Total, 8.
Scholars, Male, 32 ; Female, 34 ; Total, 66.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$35 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$68 24 ; Sunday Collections (say) \$100 00 ; Easter Collection for Building Fund, \$243 60 ; all other Collections for Building Fund (say) \$330 00. Total \$776 84
DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$10 50 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$5. Total \$15 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$792 34

This Parish was organized on the 23d of September, 1867. I took charge in May, 1868. Its progress has been greatly retarded by the want of a Church edifice of our own—services being held in Chapels rented of other denominations. These local difficulties, together with my own personal trials, impaired health, and absence from the country for a third of the year, have made the continuance of the Parish a doubtful experiment.

The zeal of the congregation has at length succeeded, by the Divine blessing, in providing a plain Church edifice of our own, to be located in Degraw Street, near Sixth Avenue, and to be ready for occupancy early in November. The Parish will thus be established, as we hope, on a permanent basis, with a fair prospect of steady growth.

GRACE CHURCH, BROOKLYN HEIGHTS.

The Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D., Rector.

The Rev. De Witt C. Loop, Rector's Assistant.

Families, 270 ; Individuals, 1,100.
Baptisms : Adults, 4 ; Infants, 55 ; Total, 59.
Confirmed, 41. Marriages, 17. Burials, 18.
Communicants : Died, 5. Present Number, about 500.
Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 21 ; Other days, 4 ; Total, 25.
Private, unknown.
Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 29 ; Other Days, 1 71 ;
Total, 252.
Evening Prayer : Sundays, 47 ; Holy Days, 23 ; Other Days, 1 68 ;
Total, 238.

ons, 92. Lectures and other Addresses, 12.
 y School : Teachers, Male, 9 ; Female, 19 ; Total, 28.
 Scholars, Male, 86 ; Female, 146 ; Total, 232.
 c Catechetical Instruction : Number Times, 59 ; of Catechumens, 100.
 Parish Schools : 1, (Free,) Teachers, Female, 1.
 Scholars, Female, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

ROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$1,326 51 ; Sunday
 ol, 432 69 ; Parochial School, 800 63 ; Sunday School Offerings,
 07 ; Other Parish purposes, 619 73. Total.....\$3,357 63
 OCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$8,000 00 ; Salary of the Bishop, assess-
 , New York and Long Island, \$250 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$78 00 ;
 san Missions, \$1,000 00 ; Theological Education, \$77 00 ; Fund for
 and Infirm Clergy, \$74 96 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long
 l, \$1,765 85. Total.....\$11,245 81
 NERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$225 93 ;
 Union and Church Book Society, \$82 62 ; General Theological
 iary, \$188 32 ; Board of Missions : Domestic Committee and kindred
 ts, \$7,809 98 ; Foreign Committee, \$300 00 ; Home Missions to
 ed People, \$598 23 ; Various objects, \$2,673 00. Total..\$11,878 08

 TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$26,481 52

his Parish was organized May 3d, 1847.
 ie present Rector entered upon the charge of the Parish on Trinity
 ay last, May 23d. The summer *exodus*, that begins so early and
 ils to so great an extent in many of our City Parishes, has made it
 ssible for him to become accurately acquainted with the Parish ;
 : the present Report is, in certain respects, probably an approxima-
 only to full and accurate statistics.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, BROOKLYN.

he Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D., Rector.
 he Rev. B. B. Newton, Rev. Thos. G. Valpy, Asst. Mins.
 sms : Adults, 5 ; Infants, 41 ; Total, 46.
 rmed, 28. Marriages, 21. Burials, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

ROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$433 37 ; Sunday School,
 05 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$702 08. Total.....\$1,883 50
 OCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$8,000 00 ; Salary of the Bishop, assess-
 , \$160 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$90 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$1,065 32 ;

Theological Education, \$1,533 20 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$74 00 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$1,450 00 ; Other purposes, \$457 42. Total.....\$12,809 94

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$50 00 ; Board of Missions : Domestic Committee and Foreign Committee, \$3,622 88

Total.....\$3,672 88

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$18 366 32

The items omitted are probably much the same as by previous report. The Rector entered upon his duties on the 1st of March, and with the other Ministers of the Parish, has continued its former usages and services.

CHURCH OF THE MEDIATOR, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William Henry Reid, Rector.

Families, 50 ; Individuals, 135.

Baptisms : Adults, 5 ; Infants, 10 ; Total, 15.

Confirmed, 26. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3.

Communicants : Admitted, 6 ; Received, 10 , Removed, 2. Present Number, 85.

Holy Communion, Public, Sundays, 4. Private, 3.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 26.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 26 ; Other Days, 18 ; Total, 44.

Sermons, 52. Lectures and other Addresses, 32.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 10 ; Female, 8 ; Total, 18.

Scholars, Male, 50 ; Female, 70 ; Total, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$50 12 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$256 00 ; Sunday Offertory, \$390 37 ; Sunday Contributions, \$2,634 48. Total.....\$3,330 97

GENERAL: Avondale Sufferers..... \$31 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$3,361 97

This Parish was organized April 4th, 1869.

We have hired a building, with basement and furnace ; auditory on first floor, with 62 pews, robing room and vestry room ; second floor, large schoolroom, infant-class room and study.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Richard B. Duane, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms : Adults, 12 ; Infants, 13 ; Total, 25.

Confirmed, 23. Marriages, 7. Burials, 11.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$298 49; Sunday School, 1 83; Sunday School Offerings, \$134 55; Various Parish expenses inclusive of the Rector's salary and the ordinary Parish expenses), 243 29. Total.....	\$4,818 16
DIOCESAN: Diocesan Missions,.....	\$65 48.
GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$50 00; Foreign Committee, \$59 10; Sundry charitable contributions, \$152 77. Total.....	\$261 87
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TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$5,145 51

This Parish was organized August 22d, 1850.

The present Rector having entered upon his duties only a fortnight ago, is unable to give a more complete report, the records being, in some particulars, not full. The returns he now makes are of services performed (except in a single instance,) of contributions made during the rectorship of the Rev. George E. Thrall, or whilst the Parish was without a rector.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. W. M. Postlethwaite, Rector.

Families, 203; Individuals, 1,421.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; Infants, 29; Total, 32.

Confirmed, 29. Marriages, 10. Burials, 14.

Communicants: Admitted, 30; Received, 9; Removed, 10; Died, 1.

Present Number, 176.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 3; Total, 15.

Private, 3.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 3; Other Days, 1; Total, 56.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 1; Other Days, 40; Total, 93.

Conmons, 108. Lectures and other Addresses, 92.

Sunday School: Teachers, 54. Scholars, 503.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$4,154 58
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This Parish was organized April 22d, 1867.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Edward Jessup, Rector.

The Rev. Ferris Tripp, Deacon, Assistant.

Number of Families, 105.

Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 20; Total, 24.

Confirmed, 23. Marriages, 7. Burials, 19.

Communicants; Admitted, 19; Received, 11; Removed, 40; Died, 4
Present Number, 206.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 18; Other Days, 2; Total, 20.
Private, 5.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 29; Other Days, 84;
Total, 165.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 12; Other Days, 32;
Total, 96.

Sermons, 104.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 10; Female, 10; Total, 20.

Scholars, Male, 90; Female, 83; Total, 173.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Times, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$272 40; Sunday School, 234 23; Sunday School Offerings, \$504 03; Parochial Association of the Church of the Redeemer, \$675 00; Ladies Association of the Church of the Redeemer, \$1,340 82; Weekly Offertory, \$879 45; Special Subscriptions, 672 88; Total..... \$4,236 23

DIOCESAN; Episcopal Fund, \$51 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$105 00; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00; Diocesan Missions, \$60 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$17 65; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$100 00; Total..... \$363 65

GENERAL: Church in Marsailles, Ill., \$10 00; Church in Franklin, Tenn., \$41 14; Church in Yazoo City, Miss., \$10 00; Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$50 00; Dr. Breck's Mission on the Pacific Coast, \$20 00; Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$85 92; To Nashotah Divinity School, \$30 00; Faribault Divinity School, \$10 00; Total.. \$257 06

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$4,856 94

This Parish was organized December 26th, 1853.

The present condition of this parish, though not in all respects as indicative of increasing strength as could be desired, is yet not wanting in signs of encouragement. The exertions of the congregation during the past year have been worthy of all praise. The statistics given above exhibit an

aggregate of voluntary contributions for church purposes, that, in view of our limited ability, may be regarded as gratifying and creditable. It is much to be regretted that the deficiency of income from ordinary sources, compels us to apply so large a proportion of these offerings in caring for our own necessities. Much benefit has been gained from the organization, a few months ago, of the "Parochial Association"—a society having for its aims the promotion of brotherly sympathies and friendly intercourse among its members, together with the cultivation of a working spirit in furtherance of the interests of the Church.

CHURCH OF THE REFORMATION, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Darius Richmond Brewer, Rector.

Number of Families, 90.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 8; Total, 10.

Marriages, 4. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Admitted, 12; Received, 35; Removed, 25; Died, 1.
Present Number, 121.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 8; Female, 11; Total, 19.
Scholars, Total, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$166 91; Sunday School, \$140 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$145 00; By our Church Aid Society, \$185 73; Offerings and Subscriptions, \$1,644 99.

Total \$2,282 63

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$70 00; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$23 00.

Total \$123 00

GENERAL: Evangelical Education Society, \$100 00; Diocese of Kansas, \$70 00; Avondale Sufferers, \$36 00; Total..... \$206 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$2,611 63

This Parish was organized February 20th, 1867.

The Church building has been greatly improved during the past Summer. The interior walls have been tastefully colored, the floor newly carpeted, and the organ-gallery enlarged. A contract has been made for an organ, to cost two thousand dollars.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Charles Higbee, Rector.

Number of Families, 98; Of Individuals, 367.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; Infants, 7; Total, 8.

Marriages, 2. Burials, 2.

Communicants: Received, 55. Present Number, 65.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 5.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 23; Other Days, 2; Total, 25.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 23; Other Days, 17; Total, 40.

Sermons, 39; Lectures and other Addresses, 40.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 5; Female, 14; Total, 19.

Scholars, Male, 61; Female, 63; Total, 124.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$47 59; Sunday School, \$58 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$30 60; For Purchase of Church Building, Repairs and other Parish purposes, \$5,903 78.

Total..... \$6,039 97

GENERAL: Total..... \$30 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$6,069 97

This is a report of St. Andrew's Church from Easter last, when the present Rector took charge of the Parish.

The records of the Church are retained in the hands of the former Rector, and hence it is that this report is limited as above.

Six months ago, St. Andrew's Church was on the eve of complete disorganization; the Church property having been offered for sale at public auction by the former Rector, and if the intention had succeeded, one of the most promising fields for our Church in this city would have been left desolate, and the re-organization of a Church have been made a matter of extreme difficulty. This calamity was barely averted.

The Church is, now, in every department, in a most flourishing condition. For Christ the vine has given new life to this branch.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., Rector.

The Rev. Henry V. Degen, the Rev. Henry C. May ^{et},
Assistant Ministers.

Number of Families, 320; Of Individuals, 1,500.

Baptisms: Adults, 10; Infants, 59; Total, 69.

Confirmed, 36. Marriages, 22. Burials, 26.

Communicants: Admitted, 54; Received, 105; Removed, 45; Died ██████████

Present Number, 504.

Communion : Public, Sundays, 12 ; Other Days, 3 ; Total, 15.
 Private, 13.
 Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 6 ; Other Days, 40 ;
 Total, 98.
 Evening Prayer : Sundays, 48 ; Holy Days, 3 ; Other Days, 40 ;
 Total, 91.
 Sermons, two every Sunday. Lectures and other Addresses, averaging two
 every week.
 Sunday Schools : Teachers, Male, 30 ; Female, 67 ; Total, 97.
 Scholars, Male, 285 ; Female, 420 ; Total, 705.
 Religious Instruction : Of Sunday School Children, Monthly.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$1,534 84 ; Sunday School,
 7 39 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$954 20 ; Total..... \$2,276 63
 DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$175 00 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment,
 5 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$120 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$1,177 28 ;
 Theological Education, \$2,074 45 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy,
 6 72, in hand ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$172 88.
 Total..... \$4,071 33
 GENERAL : Board of Missions : Foreign Committee, \$961 83 ; Home
 Missions to Colored People, \$161 00 ; For various Societies and Objects
 designated in this blank, \$3,725 30 ; Total..... \$4,848 13
 TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$11,696 09

This Parish was organized in 1784.
 The preceding report is of the two congregations of St. Ann's, the one
 Washington Street and the other on Clinton Street.
 The Rev. W. H. Reid, Rev. Charles Higbee and the Rev. William T.
 Herbert have each officiated for the term of six months as assistant minis-
 ters during the past year.
 Services are regularly sustained in old St. Ann's, Washington Street, and
 Chapel on Clinton Street.
 It is proposed, D. V., to open the new St. Ann's for public worship on
 about 20th prox.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Charles W. Homer, Rector.
 Number of Families, 160.
 Baptisms : Adults, 22 ; Infants, 40 ; Total, 62.
 Married, 86. Marriages, 6. Burials, 23.

Communicants : Admitted, 87 ; Received, 107 ; Removed, 23 ; Died, 4
Present Number, 282.

Holy Communion ; Public, Sundays, 16 ; Other Days, 1 ; Total, 17.
Private, as often as occasion offered.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 51.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 51.

Every Wednesday morning and Friday evening, through the
greater part of the year, and Wednesday and Friday
evenings during Lent, with Lecture.

Sunday School : Scholars, 415 ; Teachers, 43.

Public Catechetical Instruction : The whole School on most Sundays.

. CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Sunday School, \$3,471 12 ; For the Poor, in and out of
the Parish, including \$1,194 00 from St. James' Brotherhood, and
\$1,168 00 from St. James' Ladies Benevolent Society, \$2,886 00 ; For
Building purposes, including two enlargements, \$41,460 00.

Total. \$47,817 12

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, [Paid last year, \$1,500 00] ; Salary of
the Bishop, assessment, \$140 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$302 40.

Total. \$442 40

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$161 35 ; Sunday
School Offerings for Missionary Objects, \$865 86 ; Collection for Church
in Plymouth, North Carolina, \$303 45 ; Collection for Avondale Mine
Sufferers, \$110 40 ; Total. \$1,441 06

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS. \$49,700 58

This Parish was organized on Monday, May 25th, 1868.

St. James' Brotherhood is a voluntary association of gentlemen in this
Parish, to assist the Rector in parish work, especially in the visitation and
relief of the poor. The Ladies Benevolent Society is a similar organization
among the ladies. Both have done efficient work, and the growth of the
Parish so rapidly, is largely owing to their great interest and harmonious
labor. We have had to enlarge our borders twice during the past year,
and there is now urgent call for more room to accommodate new comers
who desire to cast in their lot with us. The Sunday School, under the
very able Superintendence of S. D. C. Van Bokkelen, Esq., is made especially
attractive to the children, and has been and is one of the most important
elements in the increase of the Parish. The Rector is happy to report
continued interest both in spiritual and temporal things.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Alexander Burgess, D.D., Rector.

The Rev. Henry A. Spafard, Assistant Minister.

Number of Families, 241.

Baptisms: Adults, 12; Infants, 45; Total, 57.

Confirmed, 45. Marriages, 38. Burials, 38.

Communicants; Admitted, 62; Received, 39; Removed, 78; Died, 20.

Present Number, 454.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 16; Other Days, 4; Total, 20.

Private, 17.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 49; Other Days, 117;

Total, 218.

Evening Prayer; Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 21; Other Days, 81;

Total, 154.

Sermons, 127. Lectures and other Addresses, 76.

Sunday School; Teachers, Male, 9; Female, 26; Total, 35.

Scholars, Total, 250.

Public Catechetical Instruction; Number of Times, 11; Of Catechumens, 250.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$355 77; Sunday School, \$180 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$570 00; Poor, \$400 00; General Parish Purposes, not Current Expenses, \$618 00.

Total \$2,123 77

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$1,000; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$100 00; Diocesan Fund, \$45 00; Diocesan Missions, \$51 00; Theological Education, \$335 14; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$25 05; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$120 00; Churches and Missions in Diocese, \$132 00; Total \$1,808 19

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$27 05; Foreign Committee, \$22 60; Home Missions to Colored People, \$22 75; Bishop Randall's Missions, \$42 00; Western Missionaries, \$107 00; Southern Missionaries, \$64 00; Total \$285 40

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$4,217 36

The first service was held in the Church, September 24th, 1826. The first election of Wardens and Vestrymen was held on Easter Monday, April 16th, 1827.

St. John's bids farewell with much regret to the fields of her good work for the last forty-three years. During that time, over thirty-five hundred

persons have been baptised by her ministers, one thousand have been confirmed in the Church, more than fifteen hundred have been admitted to the communion, there have been more than a thousand marriages and about seven hundred burials.

The succession of her Rectors has been: The Rev. Evan M. Johnson, from 1826 to 1847; the Rev. Samuel R. Johnson, D.D., from 1847 to 1851; the Rev. Nicholas A. Okeson, for about eighteen months to October, 1852; the Rev. Thomas T. Guion, D.D., from 1853 till his death in October, 1862; the Rev. George L. Seymour, D.D., from 1863 to January 1st, 1867, and the present Rector for the last date.

After much consideration of the matter, and with the advice of the Bishop of the Diocese and prominent churchmen of Brooklyn, the Church Wardens and Vestrymen selected for the new St. John's Church, lots at the corner of Seventh Avenue and Douglass Street, near the principal entrance of Prospect Park. The Corner Stone of the Chapel was laid on June 15th, 1869, by the Bishop, assisted by about twenty of the clergy and a large number of the laity. The Chapel is built of red sand stone, and is designed to accommodate about four hundred persons, and will be completed in the month of October. The Rectory, next to the Chapel, is of the same material, and will be finished about the first of December. The cost of both will be about forty thousand dollars.

St. John's must leave behind a large part of the congregation, and of the communicants when removing to a distance of two miles from the present Church, and the report to the next Convention must present, in these particulars, a very different account from those of this year and of preceding years. But the grace of the Lord is trusted and much assurance felt, that, in a few years, St. John's will exert an influence, and will accomplish good for the cause of the Church, which she cannot reach in her old home.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Jacob William Diller, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 8; Children, 118, (16 Clinic); Total, 126.

Confirmed, 33. Marriages, 27. Burials: Adults, 26; Children, 24. Total, 50.

Communicants: Admitted, 17; Received, 26; Removed, 52; Died, 8. Present Number, 307.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 64; Other Days, 27; Total, 91. To the Sick, 14 times.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 24; Other Days, 289; Total, 365.

ing Prayer: Sundays, 60; Holy Days, 24; Other Days, 142;
Total, 226.

ions, 115. Lectures and other Addresses every Friday and twice a
week in Lent.

lay School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 20; Total, 26.

Scholars, Male, 73; Female, 102; Total, 175.

ic Catechetical Instruction: Monthly.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

AROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$349 19; Sunday School,
5 87; Ordinary Expenses, about \$5,600 00; Sunday School, includ-
Easter Offerings, \$175 77; St. Luke's Benevolent Society, \$293 50;
es and Prayer Books for Distribution, \$45 .87; Christmas Dinners for
Poor, \$39 59; Total..... \$6,689 59

IOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$70 00; Diocesan Fund,
41; Diocesan Missions, \$73 54; Fund for Aged and Infirm
gy, \$32 05; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$166 79.
otal..... \$374 79

ENERAL: Missions in the South and West, \$251 89; For the Jews,
01; Total \$270 90

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$7,335 28

'his Parish was organized December 27th, 1841.

On the first day of May last, St. Luke's became a *Free Church*, with
encouraging prospects of success.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. T. F. Cornell, Rector.

ilies, 60; Individuals, 300.

tisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 13; Total, 15.

irmed, 11. Marriages, 9. Burials, 10.

municants: Admitted, 10. Present Number, about 100.

y Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 1; Total, 13.

Private, 1.

ing Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 6; Total, 58.

ing Prayer: Sundays, 42; Other Days, 12; Total, 54.

ons, 100. Lectures and other Addresses, 12.

c Catechetical Instruction: Number Times, 12; of Catechumens, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

ROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, devoted to religious pur-

poses generally, \$61 44; Sunday School Offerings, \$50 00; Parish Aid Society of St. Mark's Church, \$1,200; for the Poor, \$65 00. Total..... \$1,376 44

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$300 00; Diocesan Missions, \$55 00; Mission to Brooklyn City Jail and Hospital, \$35 00. Total.. \$390 00

GENERAL; N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$20 79; Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$31 00; Avondale Relief Fund, \$25 00. Total..... \$76 79

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,843 23

The Rector takes this opportunity to thankfully acknowledge the services of the Rev. J. D. Philip, who has freely assisted him in the Parish, during a greater part of the past year, and for a long time previous.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 5; Infants, 92; Total, 97.

Confirmed, 30. Marriages, 20. Burials, 61.

Communicants: Admitted, 33; Received, 45; Removed, 62; Died, 3. Present Number, 477.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 6; Total, 18. Private, 24.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 78; Other Days, 235; Total, 365.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 78; Other Days, 52; Total, 182.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 9; Female, 32; Total, 41.

Scholars, Male, 100; Female, 200; Total, 300.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number Times, 12; of Catechumens, all the school.

Daily Parish Schools: one; in part free.

Teacher, Female, 1.

Scholars, Male, 26; Female, 12; Total, 38.

Bible Classes: two; Teachers, 2; Scholars, 58.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$696 93; Sunday School, \$628 34; Parochial School, \$32 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$288 47; For Parish purposes, exclusive of Salaries and Incidental Expenses, \$7,800; Total..... \$9,445 74

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$1,564 31 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$105 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$45 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$100 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$52 33 ; Church. Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$289 00. Total..... \$2,155 64

GENERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$26 68 ; For the Avondale Sufferers, \$100. Total..... \$126 68

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$11,728 06

The early records of the Parish were destroyed by fire. The organization of the Parish was either in the Fall of 1835, or Spring of 1836.

The Church during the past Summer has been thoroughly and extensively repaired and decorated, through the liberal gift of a member of the Parish, seconded by a corresponding liberality of the Parishioners generally. An Organ chamber has been built on the north side of the chancel, which has greatly improved the interior and exterior of the Church—and furnished space for the Font at the south door and the door communicating with the chancel aisle, where the candidates for Holy Baptism await the administration of that Holy Sacrament. The large demands upon the Parish for its own needs and Diocesan purposes, have caused delinquency in collections for general purposes, which we hope to avoid in future. The seats in this Church are all *Free*, and it is sustained by the voluntary offerings of the members of the Parish.

' ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Charles S. Williams, Rector.

Families, 80.

Baptisms : Adults, 3 ; Infants, 25 ; Total, 28.

Confirmed, 20. Marriages, 10. Burials, 12.

Communicants : Present Number, about 100.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 52 ; Other Days, 1 ; Total, 53.

Private, 2.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 4 ; Other Days, 1 ; Total, 57.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 2 ; Other Days, 16 ;

Total, 70.

Sermons, 111. Lectures and other Addresses, 18.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 9 ; Female, 16 ; Total, 25.

Scholars, Male, 75 ; Female, 225 ; Total, 300.

Public Catechetical Instruction : Number Times, 12 ; of Catechumens, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$122 89 ; Sunday School, \$325 00 ; Sunday School Offerings, 75 00. Total..... \$522 89

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$24 50 ; Diocesan Fund, \$14 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$35 00 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$20 00. Total.....	\$93 50
GENERAL : Board of Missions : Foreign Committee, \$30 65 ; American Church Missionary Society, \$11 00 ; Christ Church, Columbia, South Carolina, \$20 00. Total.....	\$61 65
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$678 04

This Parish was organized May 25th, 1859.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. W. T. Webbe, Rector, until August 2d.

Baptisms : Adults, 5 ; Infants, 32 ; Total, 37.

Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 10. Burials, 13.

Communicants : Admitted, 7 ; Removed, 6 ; Died, 4.

Present Number, 42.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, all ; all Holy Days ; Total, 99.

Private, 10.

Morning Prayer : Sundays and Holy Days.

Evening Prayer : Sundays and Holy Days ; Other Days, 2.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 1 ; Female, 6 ; Total, 7.

Scholars, Male, 12 ; Female, 25 ; Total, 37.

This Parish was organized in 1847, the exact date unknown.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., Rector.

Families, 140 ; Individuals, 600.

Baptisms : Adults, 4 ; Infants, 20 ; Total, 24.

Confirmed, 21. Marriages, 9. Burials, 25.

Communicants : Admitted, 18 ; Received, 20. Removed, 7. Died, 5.

Present Number, 300.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 12 ; Other Days, 3 ; Total, 15.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 11 ; Other Days, 20 ; Total, 83.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 9 ; Other Days, 33 ; Total, 94.

Sermons, 112. Lectures and other Addresses, 21.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 4 ; Female, 9 ; Total, 13.

Scholars, Male, 65 ; Female, 85 ; Total, 150.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number Times, 11; of Catechumens, 150.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$140 71; Sunday School, 40 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$77 00; Various Parish Expenses, ,006 32; On account of Building Fund, \$5,300. Total...\$8,664 03

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$42 86; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, 5 00; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00; Diocesan Missions, \$27 85; Fund for aged and Infirm Clergy, \$26 12; Church Charity Foundation of Long and, \$131 25. Total..... \$293 08

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$8,957 11

This Parish was organized on Christmas Day, December 25th, 1848.

Our new edifice on Clinton Street, corner of Carroll, commenced about six years ago, was completed and opened for Divine Services on the nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 19, the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, being present and delivering an Address, administering the rite of Confirmation and celebrating the Holy Communion.

The style of the building is pointed, of the character prevailing in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, and the plan includes a nave, aisles and transepts, an apsidal chancel, with two lesser apses on either side, for organ and organ chamber, a western porch and a tower on the south-west corner. The dimensions are 145 feet in length, 72 in width, and 40 in height, with ample accommodation for about one thousand persons. The material used in construction is the Greenwich blue stone, with Ohio and Jersey free stone for trimmings, mullions, columns, and carved corbels and capitals. The roof is open timbered and, together with the ceiling and walls, is appropriately decorated.

Stained glass, from the manufactory of Frederick, of this City, fills the windows with cheerful and pleasing color, those of the chancel presenting scenes of our Saviour, as the Good Shepherd, and the Major Prophets, with the emblems also of the Evangelists.

The Font, which is of elegant design, in variegated stone and marble, is the gift of the children of the Sunday School; and several articles of furniture or parts of the edifice itself, were special donations from members of the congregation.

The Building Committee, to whose enterprise, zeal and liberal contribution of time and means, the Parish is largely indebted, consisted of Messrs. Augustus E. Masters, Olney Lovett and N. D. Morgan. Grateful mention is also due to the Architect, Mr. Richard M. Upjohn, for his able plans and faithful prosecution of the work.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. John A. Paddock, Rector.

The Rev. Jas. S. Barnes, Assistant Minister.

Families, about 300.

Baptisms: Adults, 11; Infants, 81; Total, 92.

Confirmed, 60. Marriages, 34. Burials, 57.

Communicants: Present Number, 560.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 13; Other Days, 1; Total, 14; in the Church, and monthly in the Chapel.

Morning and Evening Prayer: Sundays; Holy Days, Christmas, Epiphany, Ascension, Every Day in Lent, Easter Tuesday; Other Days, All Days designated by the Civil authority, and Wednesday or Friday evening during most of the year.

Industrial School: Every Saturday; Teachers, 8; Scholars, 75.

Sunday Schools: Teachers, Male, 34; Female, 43; Total, 77.

Scholars, Total, 750.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$616 49; Sunday Schools, \$350 00; Sunday School Building Fund, \$4,078 97; Ladies' Industrial Aid Association, for the poor, \$172 20; Sunday School Library, \$1,350; other Church purposes, \$621 22. Total.....\$7,188 88

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$105 00; Diocesan Fund, \$60 00; Diocesan Missions, \$104 00; Theological Education, \$37 50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$65 61; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island (about), \$350 00; Support of Missionary at Chapel, \$2,066 90. Total.....\$2,789 01

GENERAL: Bible Society, \$56 53; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$45 37; Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$543 89; Foreign Missions, \$235 05; Home Missions to Colored People, \$32 60; Gillette Fund, \$92 84; Rev. Wm. Hartley for Church at Holliston, Mass. \$68 40. Total.....\$1,074 68

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$11,052 57

This Parish was organized May 1st, 1848.

During the absence of the Rector, on a visit to Europe, since the 12th of May, Rev. A. M. Wylie has officiated in the Church.

The Assistant Minister devotes his time to services at the Chapel, where all the seats are free, and to missionary labor in the City. He has officiated at 52 of the Baptisms reported, at 36 of the Burials, and at 19 Mar-

riages. About 100 of the families are specially under his care, and fifty of the communicants.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William Schouler, Jr., Rector.

Baptisms : Adults, 7 ; Infants, 22 ; Total, 29.

Confirmed, 19. **Marriages,** 2. **Burials,** 13.

Communicants : Admitted, 18 ; Received, 40 ; Removed, 7 ; Died, 5.
Present Number, 112.

Holy Communion : Monthly and on the greater festivals.

Morning Prayer : on Sundays and Holy Days.

Evening Prayer : on Sundays ; also on Wednesdays with Lecture.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 5 ; Female, 13 ; Total, 18.
Scholars, about 190.

Daily Parish School : St. Stephen's School ; Paid.

Teachers, Female, 1 ; Scholars, Total, 11.

Catechising, openly, in the Church, on the first Sunday of each month.

A portion of the Scholars are also examined, by the Rector, at the close of the ordinary sessions of the School.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Weekly Offertory, including Communion Alms, \$1,349 29 ;
Sunday School, \$21 00 ; **Sunday School Offerings,** \$163 00 ; **Building Fund, Organ, &c.,** \$1,006 08. Total.....\$2,539 37

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$35 00 ; **Diocesan Fund,** \$12 00 ; **Diocesan Missions,** \$20 27. Total..... \$67 27

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$2,606 64

This Parish was organized August 5th, 1867.

The current expenses of the Parish are provided for by the voluntary unpledged offerings of the congregation. The seats in the new Chapel (completed in February last,) are free to all, and a remarkable degree of success has attended the experiment, or, as we may call it, the venture of faith, in opening the House of God to all, without respect of persons, and inviting each one to give, "on the first day of the week," according as God hath prospered him." With an average attendance on Sundays, at both services, of about one hundred persons, a considerable degree of regularity in the amounts contributed is observable, and an encouraging degree of liberal giving, though it is hoped that the coming year will show a still better record.

The Sunday School has increased within the year from 48 pupils to nearly 200. A Parish School has lately been established.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, BROOKLYN.**The Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector and Missionary.**

Baptisms: Infants, 11.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Admitted, 18; Removed, 3. Present Number, 15.

Holy Communion: Administered the first time on Easter Sunday.

Divine Services: Twice on Sundays.

Sunday School: Teachers, 5. Scholars, 38.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion..... \$3 50

DIOCESAN: Diocesan Fund..... \$2 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$5 50

This Parish was organized January 13th, 1869.

Having rented a room on the corner of Marcy Avenue and Van Buren Street, I commenced my labors as a Missionary in this part of the City, in May, 1868. Our room, the best we could procure, was very unpleasant and badly located, and we labored under many discouragements in gathering even a few worshippers. After visiting from house to house I saw a bright future, for the earnest unflinching laborer, when those who are now sleeping shall be awakened, and when an interest in the Church and religion shall be infused into the minds and hearts of those who are now indifferent to both. A very important step was taken on the 13th day of January, 1869, when, at a meeting called for that purpose, a Parish was organized. After spending much time in looking for a good location, I purchased, in March last, six lots on Greene Avenue, near Marcy, for \$9,000, for a Church, Chapel and Parsonage. A contract has been made for the erection of a Chapel, to be 84 feet by 38, and the work was commenced on the 15th instant. In a new field like this, there is a demand for constant labor, without any support; but, having obtained help of God, and of brethren beloved "I continue unto this day."

CALVARY CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.**The Rev. Francis Peck, Rector.**

Baptisms: Adults, 1; Infants, 44; Total, 45.

Confirmed, 20. Marriages, 23. Burials, 41.

Communicants: Admitted, 18; Received, 14; Removed, 16; Died, 3.
Present Number, 181.Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 4; Total, 16.
Private, 4.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 7; Other Days, 7; Total, 66.
Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 10; Other Days, 42;
 Total, 104.

Sermons, 97. Lectures and other Addresses, 65.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 18; Female, 16; Total, 34.
 Scholars, Male, 129; Female, 147; Total, 276.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Times, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$115 27; Sunday School, \$70 21; Sunday School Offerings, \$330 00; Current Expenses and Church Improvement, \$135 82; Total..... \$4,651 30

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$26 00; Diocesan Fund, \$10 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$13 75; Total.... \$48 75

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$10 00.

Total..... \$10 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$4,710 05

This Parish was organized January 23d, 1849.

CHRIST CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. Alfred H. Partridge, Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 17; Infants, 64; Total, 81.

Confirmed, 35. Marriages, 18. Burials, 48.

Communicants: Admitted, 14; Received, 6; Removed, 1; Died, 8.
 Present Number, 361.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 1; Total, 13.
 Private, 10.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 4; Other Days, 12; Total, 68.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 25; Total, 77.

Sermons, 108. Lectures and other Addresses, 35.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 18; Female, 33; Total, 51.
 Scholars, Male, 198; Female, 263; Total, 461.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Times, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$300 00; Sunday School, \$653 65; Total..... \$953 65

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$245 00; Diocesan Fund, \$45 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$43 05; Total... \$333 05

GENERAL: S. S. Union and Church Book Society, \$28 46; Board of Missions, P. E. Church U. S., \$87 95; Mission in Wisconsin, \$26 03; Mission in South Carolina, \$104 54; Total..... \$247 03

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,533 73

The date of the organization of the Parish of Christ Church, North Brooklyn is 1846.

Services for one year after were held in the Reformed Dutch Consistory Room in Fourth Street; Church without a Rector until September, 1846. The Rev. Charles W. Reynolds was first called; number of Communicants was thirteen (13). First Church Edifice was built on the south-east corner of South Sixth and Fifth Streets. In 1849, the Church being too small a plot of ground was secured on Bedford Avenue. The Corner Stone of the second Church was laid on Ascension Day, 1849, and the Church opened for Divine Service on the last Sunday in the following September. The Church has had but two Rectors since its organization; in the Rev. Charles W. Reynolds, who resigned in 1855, and the Rev. Alfred H. Partridge, who soon after took charge of the Parish and is the present incumbent. The Corner Stone of the present Church was laid on Monday, September 9th, 1861, and it was opened for Divine Service on Sunday, December 21st, 1862.

GRACE CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. William S. Chadwell, Rector.

Families, 75; Individuals, about 400.

Baptisms: Adults, 9; Infants, 47. Total, 56.

Confirmed, 49. Marriages, 5. Burials, 20.

Communicants: Admitted, 15; Received, 24; Removed, 4; Died, 3.
Present Number, 133.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 1; Total, 13.
Private, 12.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 48; Holy Days, 18; Other Days, 6;
Total, 72.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 46; Other Days, 36; Total, 82.

Sermons, 94; Lectures and other Addresses, 15.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 22; Total, 28.
Scholars, Total, 260.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Times, 10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$142 28; Sunday School,

\$29 00 ; Sunday School Offerings, **\$60 08** ; For Repairs on the Church and Refurnishing, **\$1,100 00** ; Total..... **\$1,331 36**

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, **\$28 00** ; Diocesan Fund, **\$22 50** ; Diocesan Missions, **\$26 62** ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, **\$14 23** ; Total..... **\$91 35**

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, **\$5 00**.

Total..... **5 00**

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS **\$1,427 71**

This Parish was organized May 19th, 1853.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. Samuel M. Haskins, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms : Adults, 8 ; Infants, 50 ; Total, 58.

Confirmed, 20. **Marriages**, 22. **Burials**, 32.

Communicants : Admitted, 28 ; Received, 22 ; Removed, 25 ; Died, 5.
Present Number, 384.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 14 ; Other Days, 2 ; Total, 16.
Private, Many Times.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 63 ; Other Days, 34 ;
Total, 149.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 6 ; Total, 58.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 16 ; Female, 28 ; Total, 44.

Scholars, Male, 104 ; Female, 126 ; Total, 230.

Public Catechetical Instruction : Number of Times, 50.

Daily Parish School : one, paid.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, **\$356 62** ; Sunday School, **\$24 50** ; Sunday School Offerings, **\$490 97** ; Parochial Aid, **\$405 02** ; Weekly Offertory, **\$1,221 80** ; Easter Offering, **\$526 04**.

Total..... **\$3,024 95**

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, **\$32 04** ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, **\$40 00** ; Diocesan Fund, **\$50 00** ; Diocesan Missions, **\$76 52** ; Theological Education, **\$46 46** ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, **\$14 35** ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, **\$110 00** ; Total.. **\$369 37**

GENERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, **\$20 50** ; Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, **\$134 19** ; Avondale Sufferers, **\$6 35** ; **Total** **\$161 04**

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... **\$3,555 36**

The date of the organization of the Parish and admission into Convention, is 1837.

St. Mark's Mission School, in the Fourteenth Ward, among a poor people, is in a flourishing condition. It numbers 14 Teachers, and from 60 to 70 Scholars, with a good Library and a Cabinet Organ.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. William A. W. Maybin, Rector.

- Families, 96; Individuals, 392.
Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 20; Total, 24.
Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 11. Burials, 17.
Communicants: Admitted, 8; Received 10; Removed, 23; Died, 4.
Present Number, 78.
Holy Communion: Public, on the 1st Sunday in each Month; Weekly during the season of Advent and Lent, and on all the Great Feasts of the Church.
Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; On all the Saint Days, Wednesdays and Fridays in Lent, and Daily during Holy Week.
Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52.
Sermons, 105; Lectures on every Wednesday and Friday evenings, daily in Lent.
Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 12; Female, 16; Total, 28.
Scholars, Male, 103; Female, 139; Total, 242.
Public Catechetical Instruction: On the 1st Sunday in each month.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion,	\$114 40	Sunday School Offerings,	\$550 70	Easter Offerings for Clergyman's Salary,	\$69 42	Books for Choir,	\$18 60	Total.....	\$753 12					
DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment,	\$15 68	Total...	\$15 68											
GENERAL: Total.....	\$2,048 20													
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TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....									\$2,817 00					

CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, CYPRESS HILLS.

The Rev. George Sayres, Rector and Missionary.

- Families, 20.
Baptisms: Adults, 3; Infants, 6; Total, 9.
Confirmed, 7. Burials, 2.

Communicants: Present Number, 24.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 9; Total, 9.
Private, 4.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 36; Holy Days, 2; Total, 38.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 45; Holy Days, 6; Other Days, 4; Total, 55.

Sermons, 84. Lectures and other Addresses, 12.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 1; Female, 2; Total, 3.

Scholars, Male, 8; Female, 12; Total, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Sunday School, \$13 20; Special Donations, \$15 00;
Sunday Collections, \$65 55; A Missionary Offering, through the Bishop,
\$10 00; Donation from one of the Vestrymen, \$100 00; Proceeds of a
Ladies Festival, \$72 43; Total..... \$276 18

DIOCESAN: Diocesan Fund, \$0 75; Total..... \$0 75

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$4 50.

Total..... \$4 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$281 43

This Parish was organized February 3d, 1869.

The first regular service of the Church, known by the Rector to be held in this Parish, was conducted by himself, October 2d, 1868, and was attended by about 30 persons, in Clinton Academy; the proprietor of which, Mr. H. A. W. Ford, has used every exertion to accommodate and promote the welfare of the congregation. The services were continued regularly on Sunday afternoons, until just before the organization, when an addition of the morning service was made; since which time, the two Sunday services in full, with the monthly Eucharist, have been well attended, in the building aforesaid. The Parish was duly organized on the 3d of February last. The music and chants have been all along creditably performed; and the responses are remarkably clear and spirited. The Sunday School has not flourished as it might, for lack of help. A handsome Bible and Lectern and Font, with chancel rails and cushions, have been donated from various sources. Five lots, each 25 feet by 100, valued at \$1,500, and in the very best location, were given by a generous land-owner; and the Vestry have engaged to purchase another lot adjoining these, making six in all. A liberal-minded Vestryman, besides donating the \$100 mentioned above, lately presented a fine toned bell, of about 250 lbs weight, for the use of the future Church. The latter it is hoped, may also soon be provided for this truly missionary field; as a commodious and attractive place of worship is peculiarly needful in a rapidly growing population like that of Cypress Hills.

TRINITY CHURCH, EAST NEW YORK.

The Rev. Joseph J. Elsegood, Rector.

Families, 62 ; Individuals, 260.

Baptisms: Adults, 15 ; Infants, 21 ; Total, 36.

Confirmed, 35. Marriages, 3. Burials, 24.

Communicants, Admitted, 25 ; Received, 22 ; Removed, 6 ; Died, 3.
Present Number, 96.Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 11 ; Other Days, 2 ; Total, 13.
Private, 8.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 13 ; Total, 65.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 48 ; Holy Days, 6 ; Other Days, 26 ;
Total, 80.

Sermons, 102. Lectures, 6. Addresses, 35. Total, 143.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 6 ; Female, 15 ; Total, 21.

Pupils : Male, 50 ; Female, 100 ; Total, 150.

Public Catechetical Instruction : Monthly, in Sunday School.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$50 19 ; Sunday School Offerings and Contributions therefor, \$310 44 ; Ladies' Parish Aid Society, \$73 00 ; Church Purposes and Church Improvements, \$1,260 49 ;
Total.....\$1,694 12

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$24 43 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$6 29 ; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$11 35 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$13 57. Total.....\$70 64

GENERAL : Private Donations to the Rector for Special Charities, \$16 49 ; Donations for Bibles, Prayer Books, &c., for distribution, \$25 00. Total.....\$41 49

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$1,806 25

The Parish was organized September 11th, 1854.

On the 17th day of May last, in accordance with certain resolutions of the Vestry of the Parish, the work of extending and improving the Church Building was commenced. On the 10th day of July following, the work was completed, and on the 11th day of July, the 7th Sunday after Trinity Divine Worship and the Holy Communion were celebrated by the Rector, in the improved edifice. On the evening of July 27th, the sanctuary was formally re-opened by the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by Rev. Drs. Van Kleeck and Haskins, and the Rev. Messrs. Cooley, Sayre, Bonsal and the Rector. The improvements are:—A Chancel, 16 feet

by 21 feet wide, which is reached by three easy steps; a fine Triplet window, of stained glass; eight double Lancet Windows, in sides of the building; twenty-four new Pews on the main floor; an improved Loft for use of the Choir, and a new Vestibule, 8 feet deep by 12 feet wide. The interior and exterior of the building have also been handsomely painted. The cost of these improvements has proved to be \$1,833, of which amount there yet remains to be paid the sum of \$1,749. The building will now comfortably seat over three hundred persons.

The Chancel Window and a very fine Font of Ohio stone, are noble ornaments of the Sunday School of the Parish.

The Bishop's Chair, of admirable design, is the united gift of several members of the Parish.

Two other very beautiful Chairs, for the Chancel, are the gift of one of the Church's most earnest communicants and workers.

And two elaborately carved and illuminated Alms-basins, of black walnut, are the united gift of two other devoted friends of the Parish.

The Rectory, which is very commodious and comfortable, is one of the many good deeds done for the Parish by its Senior Warden.

May God, our Heavenly Father, abundantly bless these generous helpers of the weak, and may He graciously spare them to see the Parish, in which they have taken so deep an interest, grow to be one of the largest and most influential for good in the Diocese.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FLATBUSH.

The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Rector.

Families: about 60.

Baptisms: Infants, 33.

Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 3. Burials, 17.

Communicants: Admitted, 12; Received, 5; Removed, 19; Died, 6.

Present Number, 82.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 15; Other Days, 2; Total, 17.

Private, 13.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, all.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52.

Sermons, 116. Lectures and other Addresses, 15.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 4; Female, 8; Total, 12.

Scholars, Male, 30; Female, 45; Total, 75.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Catechumens, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$201 99; Sunday School,

\$125 50; Sunday School Offerings for Nashotah, \$120 90; East Offering for Rectory Fund, \$476 17; Collections other than Pew-rent \$569 30; Children raised for Rectory, \$125 00. Total..... 1,618 8

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$522 10; Salary of the Bishop, assessment \$68 50; Diocesan Fund, \$22 50; Diocesan Missions, \$75 21; Theological Education, \$15 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$38 65 Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$175 00; Total. \$916 91

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$27 00 Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$66 00; Foreign Committee \$70 00. Total..... \$163 C

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$2,698 E

The Parish was organized in 1836.

The Parish has lost several families who were among the best Churchgoers and among the most active and liberal in all good works.

The Rectory has been completed and has been occupied by the Rector since the first of May. It is a beautiful site, near to and overlooking the new Prospect Park, and inalienably secured, as a sacred gift to the Church for all the time to come. The house is beautiful and commodious, and a good example for other Parishes to follow, in not considering what beautiful and valuable, too good for the Church, and for the Ministers the Sanctuary. A sacred and comfortable home for the Clergy is the best means for securing the permanence and best blessings of the pastoral tie.

The Rector has also had, during the past year, frequent calls and opportunities to minister to the poor, the sick and the afflicted, in the King's County institutions which are within his Parish, and which have, at all times, their several hundred inmates. With the kind assistance of his brethren of the Clergy, an afternoon service, on Sundays, has been maintained regularly at the Asylums, with the exception of the month of August. These institutions are a great field of themselves and demand additional and special labor, which they are likely soon to have, in systematic way.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FORT HAMILTON.

The Rev. Henry E. Hovey, Rector.

Families, 33; Individuals, 110.

Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 13; Total, 17.

Confirmed, 11. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Admitted, 13; Died, 1. Present Number, 40.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 3; Total, 15.
Private, 2.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 5; Total, 57.

Evening Prayer; Sundays, 49.

Sermons, 82. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 1; Female, 6; Total, 7.

Scholars, Male, 13; Female, 24; Total, 37.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 12; of Catechumens, 37.

This Parish was organized September 29th, 1834.

ST. JOHN'S, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. R. B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Minister in Charge.

During the past year, with the exception of the summer months, an afternoon service has been maintained, with varying success. The statistics of the Parish are recorded in the Parish Register of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush.

It is hoped that, ere long, more permanent arrangements and more successful efforts may be secured.

This Parish was organized in 1860.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, GREENPOINT.

The Rev. Francis Mansfield, Rector.

Families, 168; Parts of Families, 58.

Baptisms: Adults, 16; Infants, 37; Total, 53.

Confirmed, 29. Marriages, 14. Burials, 26.

Communicants; Admitted, 23; Received, 6; Died, 4.

Present Number, 142.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 11; Other Days, 1; Total, 12.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 48; Holy Days, 3; Other Days, 1.
Total, 52.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 46; Other Days, 48; Total, 94.

Sermons, 98. Lectures and other Addresses, 15.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 4; Female, 26; Total, 30.

Scholars, Total, 500.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Times, 6.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$106 36; Sunday School,

\$340 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$200 00; Subscriptions, \$250 00;
Weekly Collections, \$500 00; Proceeds of Fair, \$400 00;

Total..... \$1,796 36

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund (Interest on \$300 00 bond), \$21 00;
Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$3 00; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00; Church
Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$10 00. Total..... \$64 00

GENERAL: S. S. Union and Church Book Society..... \$28 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,888 86

This Parish was organized December 20th, 1846.

It was incorporated September 28th, 1847.

The Rev. J. C. Brown held the first service in Greenpoint, in October, 1846.

The Rev. M. Schofield assisted Mr. Brown during a part of the year 1847. In the fall of 1848, Rev. Henry Bartow, having officiated for a few months, resigned. He was succeeded by the Rev. R. J. Walker, who was appointed Missionary in Charge of this Parish. He resigned in March, 1850. In May of the same year, the Rev. Thomas Clark was elected Rector. He continued to officiate until his death, in 1852. The Rev. E. C. Babcock was chosen Rector, October 26th, 1852. The congregation at this time numbered thirty persons. The communion was first administered by Rev. C. Reynolds, November 28th, 1852. The little church was built and opened for divine service for the first time, October 23d, 1853. The Rev. Mr. Babcock resigned November 1st, 1855, and died December 30th of the same year. The Rev. M. H. Wellman having been elected the second time to the vacant rectorship, in November, 1856, entered upon his official duties January 1st, 1857. On the 1st of May, 1863, having officiated in the Parish for six years and three months, Mr. Wellman resigned the rectorship. In June of the same year, he was succeeded by the present incumbent. The new church was built during the years 1865 and 1866; it was opened for divine service for the first time on the 16th of September, of the latter date.

QUEENS COUNTY.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, ASTORIA.

The Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, Rector.

Families, 74; Individuals, 316.

Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 17; Total, 21.

Confirmed, 16. Marriages, 3. Burials, 9.

Communicants: Admitted, 20; Received, 21; Removed, 29.

Present Number, 114.

Holy Communion; Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 3; Total, 15.

Private, 2.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 23; Total, 75.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 54; Other Days, 44; Total, 98.

Sermons, 94. Lectures and other Addresses, 13.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 7; Female, 12; Total, 19.

Scholars, Male, 42; Female, 54; Total, 96.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 20; Of Catechumens, all.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$267 69; Sunday School, \$62 53; Sunday School Offerings, \$201 39; Other Parish Purposes, \$11,601 21; Total..... \$12,132 82

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$49 00; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00; Diocesan Missions, \$64 25; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$27 75; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$25 00; Rent of Episcopal Residence, \$10 00; Total..... \$206 00

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$33 45; Foreign Committee, \$38 80; Total..... \$72 25

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$12,411 07

This Parish was organized August 27th, 1866.

During the past year, the prosperity of the Parish has been somewhat retarded by an unusual number of removals from the village. The check, however, we believe will be but temporary, and we are consoled with the thought that our loss will be the great gain of more needy parishes, to whom we have sent a band of faithful missionaries.

The interest in our services is not in the slightest degree diminished, nor are our losses perceptible in the congregation.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ASTORIA.

The Rev. Robert Wm. Harris, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms: Adult, 1; Infants, 10; Total, 11.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 5.

Communicants: Present Number, 110.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Sunday School, \$45 20; Sunday School Offerings, \$42 71;
Total..... \$87 91

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$105 00; Diocesan Fund, \$22 50; Diocesan Missions, \$339 60; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$157 57; Total..... \$624 61

GENERAL: Society for Increase of the Ministry, \$100 00; Home for Incurables, \$91 25; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$52 85; Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$298 11, Foreign Committee, \$325 30; Long Island Bible Society, \$80 30; Rev. Alvah Guion (Missionary), \$49 20; Total..... \$997 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,709 00

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COLD SPRING HARBOR.

The Rev. Thomas R. Harris, Minister.

Families and Parts of Families, 40; Individuals (baptized), 105.

Baptisms: Adults, 6; Infants, 9; Total, 15.

Confirmed, 15. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Present Number, 68.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 10; Other Days, 1; Total, 11.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 31; Holy Days, 13; Total, 44.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 20; Total, 20.

Sermons, 51. Lectures and other Addresses, 14.

Sunday School: Teachers, Total, 5.

Scholars, Total, 46.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Monthly.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$72 54; Sunday School, \$40 00; Total..... \$112 54

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$500 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$70 00; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00; Diocesan Missions, \$50 00.

Total..... \$635 00

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee..... \$13 61

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$761 15

This Parish was organized February 16th, 1835.

The Rev. Edward F. Edwards resigned his position as minister of this Parish, to take effect September 1st, 1868. From this time, no regular services were held until March, 1869, when the present incumbent entered on his duties. The above report covers, therefore, a period of only seven months, during which the minister in charge has had to encounter the usual difficulties to be surmounted by a stranger, unacquainted with the limits and members of his Parish. What these are, may readily be seen, when it is stated that the Parish embraces some thirty

are miles, occupied by a scattered population. The Parish is now showing increased signs of life, and the congregations have increased daily. In addition to the services mentioned in the report, there has been a divine service held at Syosset, four miles distant, in connection with Rev. Mr. Hutton, of Oyster Bay. This mission of our Church has been maintained by Mr. Hutton for several years, and as we have now been enabled to double the number of services, there is good reason for hoping for a larger measure of success in the future.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, FLUSHING.

The Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, D.D., Rector.

The Rev. Joshua Kimber, Deacon, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms: Adults, 13; Infants, 37; Total, 50.

Confirmed, 115. Marriages, 19. Burials, 27.

Communicants: Admitted, 27; Received, 8; Removed, 13; Died, 5.

Present Number, 300.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 2; Total, 14.

Private, 7.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 17; Other Days, 3;

Total, 72.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 72; Holy Days, 1; Other Days, 21;

Total, 94.

Discussions, 114. Lectures and other Addresses, 17.

Day School: Teachers, Male, 31; Female, 40; Total, 71.

Scholars, Male, 288; Female, 383; Total, 571.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$217 71; Sunday School, 7 11; Sunday School Offerings, \$118 35; For Town Farm Sunday School, \$236 50; For Chapel at College Point, \$500 00.

Total \$1,459 67

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$105 00; Diocesan Fund, 00; Diocesan Missions, \$401 91; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, 94; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$36 46.

Total \$647 31

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$80 42; Foreign Committee, \$140 95; For the Church in South Carolina, \$114 35; Aid for Church in the South, \$15 00; Sunday School Class: Southern Relief Committee, \$32 00; Total \$382 72

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$2,489 70

This Parish was organized between 1702 and 1705. The first Church edifice was built in 1727.

There has been a manifest increase of the spirit of earnest Church work, during the past year. A large addition has been made to the Chapel, which gives accommodation for Bible Classes, and the Industrial School. It is with humble gratitude that the ministers in charge of the Parish record their acknowledgment of the blessing of the Great Head of the Church upon the Parish during the past Conventional year, and also, that they look forward with much hope for its continuance during the present year.

The report of "Contributions" is not complete. In consequence of the absence of the Treasurer, no report could be made of some important collections for "Parish purposes."

TOWN FARM MISSION OF ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, FLUSHING.

The Rev. Joshua Kimber, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. George's Church and Missionary.

Families, 7; Individuals, 36, including inmates.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 2; Total, 4.

Confirmed, 8.

Communicants: Admitted, 8. Present Number, 12.

Holy Communion: All commune in the Parish Church.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 50; Other Days, 1; Total, 51.

Sermons: Preached, 31. Read, 19. Lectures and other Addresses: To Confirmation Class, 6.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 3; Female, 7; Total, 10.

Scholars, Male, 25; Female, 45; Total, 70.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Times, 52.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Sunday School Offerings, \$38 90; Total..... \$38 90

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee from S. S., \$5 25;
Foreign Committee from S. S., \$5 00; Mission, \$3 32; Total... \$13 57

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$52 47

The first service of this Mission was held on the second Sunday in Lent, March 17th, 1867.

This Mission was inaugurated by St. George's Parish, to preach the Gospel to the Poor, in the Alms House of the Township of Flushing, in 1863. From March, 1867, to date of ordination of Deacon in charge, February 19th, 1869, the work was sustained by him as a Lay Reader. Since its inception, services have been held in the Town Farm House, once each Sunday,

h two exceptions caused by the absence of the Missionary at the bed-
: of his dying wife.

The Sunday School, herewith reported, is held in a District School
ouse, about half a mile from the "Farm," to which place the teachers
d some of the scholars repair to attend service, as do also many others
ing in the vicinity.

The Congregation varies in number, from 40 to more than a 100.

The building of a Chapel to accommodate the Sunday School, the in-
ites of the Poor House, and the residents of the locality, is in con-
nplation.

Besides his duties above mentioned, the Missionary acts as Assistant to
e Rector, in the stated services of the Parish Church.

He has preached, since his ordination, in all, 52 times.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GLEN COVE.

The Rev. Thomas Mallaby, Rector.

amilies, 69; Individuals, 278.

ptisms: Adults, 1; Total, 1.

onfirmed, 8. Marriages, 4. Burials, 10.

ommunicants: Admitted, 2; Received, 2; Removed, 3.

Present Number, 72.

oly Communion: Public, Sundays, 11; Other Days, Christmas.

Total, 12.

orning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 18; Total, 70.

vening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Total, 52.

unday School: Teachers, Total, 7. Scholars, Total, 40.

ublic Catechetical Instruction: Number of Catechumens, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$63 59; Sunday School,
hristmas Tree, \$40 00; Total..... \$103 59

Diocesan: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$49 00; Diocesan Fund,
13 50; Diocesan Missions, (2 collections), \$28 56; Fund for Aged
nd Infirm Clergy, \$20 30; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island,
19 30; Total..... \$130 66

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$13 25; Foreign
ommittee, \$13 25; Total..... \$26 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$260 75

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, HEMPSTEAD.

The Rev. William H. Moore, Rector.

Families, 113 ; Individuals, 528.

Baptisms : Adults, 12 ; Infants, 24 ; Total, 36.

Confirmed, 24. Marriages, 4. Burials, 17.

Communicants : Admitted, 21 ; Removed, 11 ; Died, 2.

Present Number, 198.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 13 ; Other Days, 3 ; Total, 16.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 7 ; Other Days, 4 ;
Total, 63.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 50.

Sermons, 108. Lectures and other Addresses, 48.

Sunday School : Teachers, Total, 22. Scholars, Total, 176.

Public Catechetical Instruction : Number of Times, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$50 90 ; Sunday School,
\$169 00 ; Parochial Purposes, \$67 40 ; Total..... \$287 30

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$52 89 ; Diocesan Fund,
\$13 30 ; Diocesan Missions, \$27 90 ; Church Charity Foundation
of Long Island, \$24 15 ; Total..... 118 24

GENERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$15 83 ;
S. S. Union and Church Book Society, \$16 17 ; Board of Missions :
Domestic Committee, \$17 09 ; Home Missions to Colored People, \$18 29.
Total..... \$67 38

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$472 92

Services were begun and the Parish inaugurated in 1704. A Royal
Charter was issued October 13th, 1735.

GRACE CHURCH, JAMAICA.

The Rev. William L. Johnson, D.D., Rector.

The Rev. Thomas Cook, Assistant Minister.

Families, 112 ; Individuals, about 400.

Baptisms : Adults, 6 ; Infants, 34 ; Total, 40.

Confirmed, 19. Marriages, 10. Burials, 24.

Communicants : Admitted, 26 ; Received, 6 ; Removed, 9 ; Died, 5.

Present Number, 212.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 12 ; Other Days, 1 ; Total, 13.

Private, 15.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 3; Other Days, 2; Total, 57.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 81; Total, 81.

Sermons, 133.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 18; Total, 24.

Scholars, Male, 73; Female, 102; Total, 175.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number of Times, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$185 00; Sunday School, \$200 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$25 00; For Sunday School Building, \$1,500 00; For the Poor of the Parish, \$300 00. Total..\$2,210 00

DIOCESAN; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$70 00; Diocesan Fund, \$18 00; Diocesan Missions, \$80 23; Total..... \$168 23

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$44 74; S. S. Union and Church Book Society, \$22 00; Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$40 00.

Total \$106 74

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$2,484 97

This Parish was organized in June, 1701.

ZION CHURCH, LITTLE NECK, FLUSHING.

The Rev. Henry M. Beare, Rector.

Families, 110.

Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 29; Total, 33.

Confirmed, 19. Marriages, 8. Burials, 21.

Communicants: Present Number, 107.

Holy Communion: Monthly.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, Weekly, and on principal Fasts and Festivals.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, Weekly, and on principal Fasts and Festivals.

Total, 120.

Sunday School: Teachers, Total, 16. Scholars, Total, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Expenses on Church Building, \$300 00; Parish Library and Papers, \$50 70; Total..... \$350 70

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$35 00; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00; Diocesan Missions, \$40 57; Theological Education, \$25 50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$70 10; Total..... \$186 17

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$159 36 ; Foreign Committee, \$101 55 ; Home Missions to Colored People, \$25 32 ; Mission at Nashotah, Wis., \$46 35 ; Washington Monument, Washington, \$17 57 ; Good Friday Offering, Church Mission to the Jews, \$15 37.
Total. \$365 52

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$902 39

This Parish was organized on the 17th of June, 1830.

On the first Sunday of May, last, the Rector delivered his 25th Annual Address, in which he stated that during his pastorate he had baptized 99 adults, 471 children ; total, 561. Married, 138 couples. Buried, 260. During the last year he distributed gratuitously, 4 bibles, 13 prayer books, 30,067 pages of tracts and paper covered books ; 4,112 religious papers, and 302 bound volumes.

In addition to the above contributions, about \$700 have been spent in building a house for the Sexton. About \$200 received at weekly offerings for current expenses of the Church, and about \$250 distributed among the poor.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LONG ISLAND CITY.

The Rev. Wm. H. Neilson, Jr., Rector.

Families, 78 ; Individuals, 279.
Baptisms : Adults, 3 ; Infants, 13 ; Total, 16.
Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 3. Burials, 12.
Communicants : Admitted, 7 ; Received, 2 ; Removed, 10.
Present Number, 45.
Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 12 ; Other Days, 1 ; Total, 12.
Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 3 ; Other Days, 1 ; Total, 56.
Evening Prayer : Sundays, 72 ; Holy Days, 3 ; Other Days, 9 : Total, 84.
Sermons, 108. Lectures and other Addresses, 60.
Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 4 ; Female, 7 ; Total, 11.
Scholars, Male, 62 ; Female, 79 ; Total, 141.
Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 11 ; Of Catechumens, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$41 73 ; Sunday School, \$80 68 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$40 09 ; Weekly Collections, \$116 12 ; Subscription towards Church Expenses, \$130 00.
Total..... \$408 62
DIOCESAN : Diocesan Fund, \$9 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$16 95 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$18 16 ; Other Purposes, \$6 48.
Total..... \$50 59

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$13 00; Home
missions to Colored People, \$18 00; American Bible Society, \$30 00.
Total \$61 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$520 21

Since last Convention, services have been held in the German language, the evening of the first Sunday in each month, also such occasional vices throughout the month as were required. This work is under the charge of Rev. Dr. Staudenmayer. Since February, 1869, service has been held by the Rector every Sunday afternoon, in the District School house, in the Village of Dutch Kills. Measures are now about to be taken for the erection of a Chapel in that vicinity. In June last, a Fair was held by the ladies of St. John's Church, for the purpose of raising money to pay off the debt against the Parish. About \$500 were thus collected. An additional sum has been obtained by subscription. It is hoped that the balance will be raised by a Course of Lectures, to be delivered during the present Autumn for the benefit of the Church. The Bishop and other brethren of the Clergy have kindly promised their services in this work.

CHRIST CHURCH, MANHASSET.

The Rev. James E. Homans, Rector.

Families, 104.

Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 17; Total, 21.

Marriages, 5. Burials, 12.

Communicants: Present Number, 153.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 13; Other Days, 1; Total, 14.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 3; Total, 55.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 36.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 7; Female, 18; Total, 25.

Scholars, Male, 53; Female, 80; Total, 133.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion (4 months), \$88 07; Parochial Offerings, \$350 00; Sunday School Offerings (4 months), \$48 00; Expenditures in Church enlargement, \$7,075; Ladies Society, Expenditures in Church furnishing, \$1,300; Special gift for Chancel Window, \$140 00. Total \$9,001 07

DIOCESAN; Episcopal Fund, \$42 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, 18 00. Total..... \$60 00

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$8 75; Foreign Committee, \$8 75; American Church Missionary Society, \$23 00;	
Total.....	\$40 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$9,101 57

The Church edifice was consecrated November 17th, 1803.

The present Rector entered upon his charge on the first Sunday of last June. Owing to the large expenditures for Church enlargement, and deprivation of the use of the regular Church building, contributions to general objects were omitted. The few items reported under this head belong to the past three months. Very general satisfaction is expressed in the improvement and beauty of the new Church edifice recently completed. It has added greatly to the former capacity and presents an essentially new Church, at an expense of between fourteen and fifteen thousand dollars for enlargement and refurnishing. Regular services are held by the Rector, on Sundays, at the neighboring places of Port Washington, Lakeville and Great Neck.

ST. SAVIOUR'S CHURCH, MASPETH.

The Rev. William C. Cooley, Rector.

Baptisms: Adults 1.
Burials, 2.
Communicants: Added, 12. Present Number, 42.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$20 00; Diocesan Missions, \$41 25;	
Total.....	\$61 25

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society (from a member, \$50 00; from the Church, \$47 54), \$97 54; Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, \$12 15. Total.....	\$109 69
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TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$170 94

This report includes only the particulars since May 1st.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

The Rev. Samuel Cox, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 5; Infants, 11; Total, 16.
Confirmed, 22. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5.
Communicants: Admitted, 17. Present Number, about 110.
Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 3; Total, 15.
Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 4; Total, 56.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 54; Other Days, 40; Total, 94.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 3; Female, 9; Total, 12.

Scholars: Male, 35; Female, 67; Total, 112.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. Times, 12; of Catechumens, ab't 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$254 45; Sunday School, 49 76; Sunday School Offerings, \$69 62; Furnishing Parsonage, 10 00; Enlargement of Parsonage (by vestry), \$2,200; other purposes, 70 00. Total.....\$3,453 83

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund (by vestry), \$650 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$60 00; Diocesan Fund, \$27 00; Diocesan Missions, 13 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$24 20; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$18 08. Total..... \$822 28

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$28 11; General Theological Seminary, \$22 11; Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$169 67; Home Missions to Colored People, \$48 00; Other Charities, \$112 15; Long Island Bible Society, \$31 00; Young Men's Christian Association, \$15 45. Total..... \$426 49

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$4,702 60

This Parish was organized September 9th, 1761.

CHRIST CHURCH, OYSTER BAY.

The Rev. R. G. Hutton, Rector.

Families, about 80.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 1; Total, 3.

Confirmed, 18. Marriages, 4. Burials, 6.

Communicants; Admitted, 9; Received, 3; Removed, 4; Died, 1.

Present Number, 92.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 15.

Morning Prayer: all Sundays and Holy Days.

Evening Prayer: all Sundays, Holy Days, and Fridays.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 2; Female, 9; Total, 11.

Scholars, Total, 60.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, RAVENSWOOD.

The Rev. Charles H. Vandyne, Rector.

Families, 24; Individuals, 100.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; Infants, 2; Total, 3.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants : Admitted, 2 ; Received, 1 ; Removed, 25.

Present Number, 40.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 12 ; Other Days, 1 ; Total, 13.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 3 ; Total, 55.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 39 ; Other Days, 23 ; Total, 62.

Sermons, 91. Lectures, 1.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 4, Female, 8 ; Total, 12.

Scholars, Male, 20 ; Female, 40 ; Total, 60.

Public Catechetical Instruction ; Number Times, 9 ; of Catechumens, 45.

Daily Parish Schools : One (paid). Teachers, Female, 2.

Scholars, Male, 1 ; Female, 6 ; Total, 7.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$30 00 ; Sunday School, \$119 36 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$50 00. Total..... \$199 36

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$32 45 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, (bond \$200) \$200 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$18 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$21 59 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$10 00
Total..... \$282 04

GENERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$10 00 ; Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$23 15 ; Foreign Committee, \$20 00. Total..... \$53 15

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$534 55

This Parish was organized on Wednesday evening, February 6th, 1839.

The Rev. W. W. Battershall relinquished the charge of the Parish in December last. The Rev. C. H. Vandyne was called to the Rectorship and entered upon the duties on the 11th of April. The population of Ravenswood has materially diminished since the last report. During the year an elegant and commodious Church edifice has been brought to completion. It was opened for divine service on the 14th of March, forming a most attractive feature of the parish and giving a bright promise of future prosperity.

TRINITY CHURCH AND CHAPEL, ROCKAWAY.

The Rev. Robert T. Pearson, Rector.

The Rev. Wm. M. Carmichael, D. D., Assistant Minister.

Families, 90 ; Individuals, 400.

Baptisms : Adults, 2 ; Infants, 18 ; Total, 20.

Confirmed, 23 ; Marriages, 6 ; Burials, 10.

Communicants : Admitted, 7 ; Received, 3 ; Removed 4 ; Died, 1.

Present Number, 131.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 20 ; Other Days, 2 ; Total, 26.
Private, 4.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 65 ; Holy Days, 14 ; Other Days, 1 ;
Total, 80.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 39 ; Holy Days, 5 : Total, 44.

Sermons, 131.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 7 ; Female, 12 ; Total, 19.

Scholars, Male, 54 ; Female, 82 ; Total, 136.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Sunday School Library, \$38 10 ; proceeds of Fair, towards
Sunday School Room, \$600 00. Total..... \$638 10

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$8 43 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment,
\$16 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$7 50 ; Diocesan Missions, \$70 03 ; Fund
for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$15 51. Total..... \$117 47

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$25 00 ; Foreign
Committee, \$11 48 ; Lenten Savings, by Sunday School, for Domestic
Missions, \$11 38 ; To Mission at Greenport, L. I., \$15 00. Total, \$62 86

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$818 43

This Church was organized February 14th, 1844.

William H. Neilson, Esq. kindly superintends the Sunday School at
the Chapel, but, as a very large proportion of the children attend only
during Mr. Neilson's stay here, the numbers are not given in this report.

TRINITY CHURCH, ROSLYN.

The Rev. S. McNulty, Rector.

Families, 10.

Baptisms : Adults, 10 ; Infants, 25 ; Total, 35.

Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants : Admitted, 10. Present Number, 20.

Morning Prayer : Every Sunday.

Evening Prayer : Every Sunday.

Sermons, 22. Lectures and other Addresses, 12.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 3 ; Female, 7 ; Total, 10.

Public Catechetical Instruction : Number of Times, 4.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$5 00 ; Parochial School,
\$10 00. Total..... \$15 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$15 00

Owing to the short period I have been in charge of this Parish, it is

impossible for me to give an exact statement of items required in the report for the Convention.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH OYSTER BAY.

The Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector.

Families, 12.

Baptisms, 6.

Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Admitted, 8; Whole Number, 30.

Sunday School: Teachers, 7; Scholars, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion..... \$75 00

DIOCESAN; Episcopal Fund, \$500 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$17 50; Diocesan Fund, \$9 75; Diocesan Missions, \$106 60; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$28 00. Total..... \$661 85

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society.. \$30 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$766 85

The Rector would add to the above report, that morning service is celebrated in the Parish every Sunday, from the first Sunday in April until the first Sunday in December, and once each month from December until April. The Holy Communion is administered on the principal Holy Days and on the first Sunday in each month throughout the year.

From May until November, the Rector holds evening service in the village of Babylon, Suffolk County. Some of the attendants on these services have organized a new Parish in West Islip, and the preliminaries have been taken and funds raised and pledged for the erection of an Episcopal Church in that place. It is very probable, therefore, that a new Church edifice will have been provided before the expiration of another year, for the accommodation of churchmen in and near the village of Babylon.

GRACE CHURCH, WHITESTONE.

The Rev. Benj. H. Abbott, Rector.

Families, 79.

Baptisms: Adults, 7; Infants, 9; Total, 16.

Confirmed, 18. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7.

Communicants: Admitted, 12; Died, 2. Present Number, 61.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 11; Other Days, 1; Total, 12.

g Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 6; Total, 58.
 g Prayer: Sundays, 49; Other Days, 60; Total, 109.
 School: Teachers, 21. Scholars, about 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

CHIAL: Sunday School, \$200 00; Special Contributions for S. S.
 , \$1,400; Sunday School Offerings, \$60 00; the Poor, Parish and
 purposes in general (including Offertory and Contributions
 support of the Church,) \$2,500. Total.....\$4,160 00
 CESAN: Episcopal Fund and Salary of the Bishop, assessment,
 ; Diocesan Fund, \$27 00; Diocesan Missions, \$25 00; Fund
 ed and Infirm Clergy, \$11 00. Total..... \$133 00
 ERAL: Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$68 00; Ameri-
 urch Missionary Society, \$68 00. Total..... \$136 00
 TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....\$4,429 00

Parish was organized on the 6th of September, 1858.
 ng the past four years, occasional services have been held by the
 , on Sunday afternoon, at the Chapel of Willet's Point Fort.

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

HURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, GREENPORT.
 e Rev. George G. Hepburn, Rector and Missionary.

es, 12; Individuals, 36.
 ns: Infants, 3.
 ges, 1. Burials, 1.
 unicants: Present Number, 10.
 Communion: Public, Sundays, Monthly.
 ng Prayer: Sundays, 46; Other Days, 2; Total, 48.
 g Prayer: Sundays, 30.
 y School: Teachers, Female, 2; Total, 2.
 Scholars, 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

CHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$19 26; Sunday School
 gs, \$2 80; Current Expenses, \$73 87. Total..... \$95 93
 TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$95 93

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HUNTINGTON.

The Rev. C. B. Ellsworth, Rector.

Families, 75 ; Individuals, 250.

Baptisms : Adults, 4 ; Infants, 20 ; Total, 24.

Confirmed, 12.

Communicants : Admitted, 12 ; Received, 5 ; Removed, 6 ; Died, 2.

Present Number, 82.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 12 ; Other Days, 1.

Private, 2.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 3 ; Female, 12 ; Total, 15.

Scholars, Male, 42 ; Female, 60 ; Total, 102.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$13 50 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$20 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$44 10 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$15 00 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$21 00 ; Total..... \$128 60

GENERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$36 60 ; Board of Missions ; Domestic Committee, \$107 04 ; Foreign Committee, \$22 75 ; Total..... \$166 39

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$294 99

This Parish was organized about 1745, and re-organized 1838.

Of the amount reported above for Domestic Missions, \$75 14 should be credited to the Sunday School.

Besides the amounts reported above for special objects, there have been other sums contributed for charitable and religious purposes, making the whole amount about \$1,950 00.

**ST. JOHN'S 'CHURCH, ISLIP,
AND ST. BARNABAS' CHAPEL, SAYVILLE.**

The Rev. Charles Douglas, Rector.

Families, 42 ; Individuals, 172.

Baptisms : Adults, 10 ; Infants, 15 ; Total, 25.

Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 2. Burials, 9.

Communicants : Admitted, 8 ; Received, 3 ; Removed, 2 ; Died, 3.

Present Number, 46.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 12 ; Other Days, 4 ; Total, 16.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 52 ; Holy Days, 21 ; Other Days, 122 ;

Total, 195.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 8; Other Days, 58;
Total, 118.

Sermons, 169. Lectures and other Addresses, 27.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 19; Total, 25.

Scholars, Male, 61; Female, 97; Total, 158.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 58; Catechumens, 158.

Daily Parish School: One, part free.

Teachers, Male, 1; Female, 1; Total, 2.

Scholars, Male, 13; Female, 16; Total, 29.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Sunday School, \$62 00; Parochial School, \$200 00;
Christmas Trees for Sunday Schools, \$82 00; Poor, \$53 00; St.
Barnabas Chapel for Seats, Interest and Debt, \$358 00; Total, \$755 00

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$10 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment,
\$20 00; Diocesan Fund, \$10 00; Diocesan Missions, \$42 00; Theological
Education, \$2 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$3 00; Church
Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$3 00. Total..... \$90 00

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$8 00;
Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, \$1 00; Board of Missions: Domestic
Committee, \$27 00; Foreign Committee, \$2 00; Total..... \$38 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$883 00

This Parish was organized about 1787.

The faithful workers in this Parish, have by their earnestness and
constancy accomplished more than usual in Church work, and besides the
sum reported for other objects, they have contributed freely, making a
sum total contributed by them of over \$1,200 00.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ISLIP.

The Rev. Reuben Riley, Rector.

Families, 32; Individuals, 142.

Baptisms: Adults, 9; Infants, 24; Total, 33.

Confirmed, 25. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5.

Communicants, Admitted, 2; Received, 13; Removed, 1; Died, 1.

Present Number, 54.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 11; Total, 12.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 51.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 35; Holy Days, 11; Total, 46.

Sermons, 63.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 16; Total, 22.

Scholars, Male, 61; Female, 80; Total, 141.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$95 62; Insurance, Parsonage and Church and Tax on Church Property, \$72 73.

Total..... \$168 35

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$250 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$17 50; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00; Diocesan Missions, \$75 31; Theological Education, \$2 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$8 15; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$5 71; Total.... \$373 67

GENERAL: N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$2 00; Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, \$1 00; S. S. Union and Church Book Society, \$1 00; General Theological Seminary, \$2 00; Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$2 00; Foreign Committee, \$10 00; Home Missions to Colored People, \$2 00; Seabury Mission, \$5 00; Bishop Young, for St. Mary's Retreat, Fernandina, Fla., \$10 00.

Total..... \$35 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$577 02

This Parish was organized November 15th, 1847.

There are connected with St. Mark's Parish, one Chapel and two Mission Stations—Brentwood and Central Islip. Services are held at these places during the Summer, on alternate Sunday afternoons; at the Chapel during the Winter either in the afternoon or at night.

\$1,132 have been subscribed towards the erection of a Chapel at Central Islip. The work will commence next month and the building be enclosed by Christmas.

Efforts are now being made at Brentwood to raise money enough to erect a Chapel in the course of another year.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PATCHOGUE.

The Rev. Charles Douglas, Missionary.

Families, 28; Individuals, 85.

Baptisms: Adults, 2.

Confirmed, 2. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Admitted, 2; Received, 2; Removed, 1; Died, 2.

Present Number, 21.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Total, 13.

Private, 1.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 5; Total, 57.

sermons, 59.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Number Times, 3; of Catechumens, 32.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, for the Poor, \$17 00;
Payment of Debt on the Church, \$600 00; Total..... \$617 00

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$5 00; Diocesan Fund,
\$2 00; Diocesan Missions, \$7 71; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy,
\$1 00; Total..... \$15 71

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$632 71

We rejoice to record the fact, that our Church is now entirely out of debt; mainly through the encouraging words of our beloved Bishop, and the material aid sent us from St. George's Church, Flushing, in answer to a touching appeal made to them, by him, at his regular visitation. Our thanks are also due to a working member of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights.

The faithful women of the Parish have worked with untiring zeal, and they feel very grateful to all who have aided them in clearing off this troublesome debt.

May the Great Head of the Church bless them with the dews of his Divine Grace.

CHRIST CHURCH, SAG HARBOR.

Rectorship Vacant.

Families, 30.

Baptisms, 29.

Confirmed, 27. Marriages, 7. Burials, 10.

Communicants: Admitted, 28; Removed, 7; Died, 3.

Present Number, 80.

Sunday School: Teachers, 10. Scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$50 00; Sunday School,
\$27 00; Various Expenses, \$500 00. Total..... \$577 00

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$14 00; Diocesan Fund,
\$12 00. Total..... \$26 00

GENERAL:..... \$200 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$803 00

The foregoing items are furnished by Mr. William Adams, Senior Warden.

CAROLINE CHURCH, SETAUKET.

The Rev. F. M. Noll, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms : Infants, 6.

Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 4. Burials, 8.

Communicants : Admitted, 6 ; Removed, 1 ; Died, 1.

Present Number, 41.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, Monthly ; on all Feast Days, and
on the octave of the greater feasts.

Morning Prayer : all Sundays and all Holy Days, except Lent, when on
Wednesdays and Fridays.

Evening Prayer : all Sundays.

Public Catechetical Instruction : every Sunday afternoon.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion..... \$54 39

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$1 10 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment,
\$7 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$1 50 ; Diocesan Missions, \$17 30 ; Fund for
Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$3 20 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long
Island, \$3 00 ; Endowment of the Episcopate, \$13 00. Total... \$46 10

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$100 49

The first Missionary was here in 1723. There were Wardens and
Vestrymen in 1729. How long before is not known.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, SMITHTOWN.

The Rev. John W. Buckmaster, Rector.

Families, 20.

Baptisms : Adults, 7 ; Infants, 3 ; Total, 10.

Confirmed, 14. Burials, 4.

Communicants : Admitted, 13 ; Received 3. Present Number, 42.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 8.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 38 ; Holy Days, 1 ; Total, 39.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 38 ; Other Days, 3 ; Total, 41.

Sermons, 80.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 2 ; Female, 6 ; Total, 8.

Scholars, Male, 12 ; Female, 20 ; Total, 32.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$26 22 ; Salary paid to

September 29th, \$410 00; For Incidental Expenses, \$60 00; Collected by the Ladies, \$75 00. Total..... \$571 22

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$12 25; Diocesan Missions, \$51 03. Total..... \$63 28

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$634 50

The Parish was vacant for about nine months. The present Rector has had charge since January 1st. His report dates from that time.

Clerical Reports.

The Rev. Beverley Robinson Betts, A.M., respectfully reports :

That, in addition to his duties as Librarian of Columbia College, he served as Rector of St. Saviour's Church, Maspeth, until about the first of June ; since which time he has been assisting Bishop Southgate, in Zion Church, New York.

The Rev. Charles H. Gardiner, residing at Bridge-Hampton, Suffolk County, reports as follows :

During the last year he has been without regular Parochial charge ; but has sought all occasions for clerical usefulness in the County in which he resides.

Besides preaching occasionally and assisting at the Holy Communion, he has also supplied Christ Church, Sag Harbor, and St. Luke's Chapel, East-Hampton, for five weeks, during the absence of the Rector. By invitation of resident churchmen, he has taken charge of St. Luke's Chapel, East-Hampton, since September 1st, and expects to continue these services once every Lord's Day (D.V.) throughout the winter. Since his last report, he has also supplied Holy Trinity, Greenport, once or twice, and held occasional services in *private families* in the village in which he resides. There are three or four church families in this place, and five resident communicants. He has found but one family of Church people residing in the village of Southampton, and three communicants ; has baptized one infant, married two couples, administered the Holy Communion three times in private, and admitted three new communicants on one occasion. Of other services he has not kept a full record, as they may be included in other reports.

The Rev. George W. Nichols, reports :

Since the Primary Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, he has continued to discharge, regularly, the duties which devolved on him as the Assistant Minister of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn, until

day, the 27th of June, 1869, when he resigned that position—a step induced by the fact that the new Rector of the Church of the Messiah, did not require the services of an Assistant. In addition to the above, I would further state that he has officiated six Sundays for the Parish of the Church of the Mediator, Brooklyn, during the Rector's absence at the West, in which Parish he baptized two children (one sick child) and visited one sick person: that he also officiated two Sundays for the Mission Chapel of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn; two Sundays for the Parish of the Church of the Evangelists, Brooklyn, and one Sunday for the Mission Church of the Holy Trinity, 84th Street, New York.

The Rev. J. D. Philip, Deacon, reports :

During the last year, I have officiated for the Rev. T. F. Cornell, of St. Marks, and for the Rev. Wm. D'Orville Doty, of All Saints', whom I am assisting at the present time. Living so far from my former home, I have not had so much week-day work as I had previous to my removal. I here add some items which I did not report to the New York Convention, as I ought to have done. They are for the years 1866–67, and are as follows:—Marriages, 9; Baptisms, 12; Funerals, 24. For the present year (1868–69), my Church accounts show:—Marriages, 4; baptisms, 10; and Funerals, 9.

The Rev. E. F. Remington, reports :

During the past year, I have been holding open-air services on the docks in New York, preaching to seamen and boatmen. On Fridays, I visit the prisoners in the Tombs, and on Saturdays, I minister to the sick in the New York City Hospital. The remainder of my time is devoted to the children of misfortune, as they lay on the thorny bed of disease, or hiver in the cold hut of poverty.

The Rev. James Thomson, reports:

Since the formation of the Diocese of Long Island, I have been a resident of Massachusetts.

Within that period, I have officiated in some House of God on every Lord's Day, but one, when prevented by illness. I have also done such pastoral work and sacerdotal acts as the Providence of God called upon me to do. I have preached 120 times. I am, at present, a resident of Andover, Massachusetts, and in temporary charge of Christ Church in said village.

QUEENS COUNTY.													
Astoria,	74	316	21	16	114	1	9	17	96	12,112 82	206 00	72 25	12,412 07
Redeemer,	..	..	11	4	110	2	5	..	..	87 91	624 67	997 02	1,709 60
C'id Sp'ng Harbor, St. John's	40	105	15	25	68	1	3	5	46	112 54	635 00	13 61	761 15
College Point, St. Paul's Chapel	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fishing, St. George's,	..	..	50	115	300	19	27	71	571	1,459 67	647 11	182 72	2,489 70
Mission,	7	36	4	8	12	..	..	10	70	38 90	..	33 57	52 47
Glen Cove, St. Paul's,	69	278	1	8	71	4	10	7	40	101 59	110 66	26 50	260 75
Hempstead, St. George's,	111	528	36	24	198	4	17	21	176	287 30	118 24	67 38	473 92
Jamaica, Grace,	112	400	40	19	211	10	24	24	175	2,310 00	168 21	106 74	2,484 97
Little Neck, Zion,	110	..	33	19	107	8	21	10	70	130 70	186 17	105 52	901 39
Long Island City, St. John's	78	279	16	7	45	3	12	11	141	408 62	50 59	61 00	520 21
Manhasset, Christ,	104	..	21	..	253	5	11	25	131	9,001 07	60 00	40 50	9,101 57
Maspeth, St. Saviour's,	..	..	1	..	42	..	..	..	..	..	61 25	109 69	170 94
Newtown, St. James,	80	..	16	12	110	4	5	12	112	3,453 83	812 28	426 49	4,701 60
Oyster Bay, Christ,	24	100	3	5	92	4	6	11	60	109 36	282 04	53 15	514 55
Ravenswood, St. Thomas	90	400	20	21	111	6	10	19	136	618 10	117 47	62 86	818 43
Rockaway, Trinity Chapel,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roslyn, Trinity	10	..	35	10	20	1	2	10	..	15 00	..	..	15 00
South Oyster Bay, Grace,	12	..	6	11	30	1	1	7	10	75 00	661 85	30 00	766 85
Whitestone, Grace,	79	..	16	18	61	4	7	21	200	4,150 00	113 00	136 00	4,439 00
Total.	1002	3443	348	144	1,917	80	174	300	2,116	14,734 41	4,884 76	2,965 00	42,004 17
SUFFOLK COUNTY.													
East Hampton, St. Luke's,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Greenport, Holy Trinity,	12	16	3	12	10	1	1	2	12	95 93	..	..	95 93
Huntington, St. John's,	75	250	24	12	82	..	..	15	102	..	128 60	166 39	294 99
Islip, St. John's,	42	172	25	12	46	2	9	25	158	755 00	90 00	38 00	881 00
St. Mark's,	12	142	31	25	54	4	5	12	141	168 15	171 67	35 00	577 02
St. Paul's,	28	85	2	2	21	..	4	..	32	617 00	15 71	..	612 71
St. Mary's,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Mary's,	30	..	29	17	80	7	10	20	70	577 00	26 00	200 00	803 00
Christ	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sag Harbor, St. Barnabas,	..	..	6	7	42	..	8	..	..	54 39	46 10	..	100 49
Seyville, Setauket,	..	..	10	14	42	..	4	8	32	571 12	63 28	..	634 50
Caroline	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. James,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....	239	685	132	99	376	18	48	82	547	2,818 89	743 36	499 39	4,021 64
Total for Churches reported	4321	12,327	1912	1324	9817	499	937	2,230	10,677	187,470 59	45,466 81	32,104 85	285,163 61

* The Statistics of St. Barnabas' Chapel, are included in those of St. John's, Islip.

APPENDIX III.

CHURCHES OF THE DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND, with the dates of their Organization, and Admission into CONVENTION. The dates previous to 1868, are of Admission into Union with the DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

KINGS COUNTY.

	Organized.	Admitted
Bay Ridge, Christ,	June 13, 1854.	1853
Brooklyn, All Saints',	August 4, 1867.	1867
“ Atonement,	February 1, 1864.	1864
“ Christ,	May 18, 1835.	1836
“ Christ Chapel,		
“ Ch. Char. Foundation,	February 6, 1851.	
“ Emmanuel,		1856
“ Evangelists',	September 23, 1867.	1867
“ Grace,	May 3, 1847.	1849
“ Holy Trinity,	November 27, 1851.	1853
“ “ Chapel,		
“ Mediator,	April 4, 1869.	1869
“ Messiah,	August 22, 1850.	1850
“ Our Saviour,	April 22, 1867.	1867
“ Redeemer,	December 26, 1853.	1854
“ Reformation,	February 20, 1867.	1867
“ St. Andrew's,		1859
“ St. Ann's,	1784.	1787
“ “ Chapel,		
“ St. James',	May 25, 1868.	1869
“ St. John's,	April 16, 1827.	1827
“ St. Luke's,	December 27, 1841.	1842
“ St. Mark's,		1851
“ St. Mary's,	1836.	1837
“ St. Matthew's,	May 25, 1859.	1860
“ St. Michael's,	1847.	1851
“ St. Paul's,	December 25, 1848.	1850
“ St. Peter's,	May 1, 1848.	1848
“ “ Chapel,		
“ St. Stephen's,	August 5, 1867.	1868
“ St. Thomas',	January 13, 1869.	
Brooklyn, E. D., Calvary,	January 23, 1849.	1849
“ Christ,	1846.	1849
“ Grace,	May 19, 1853.	1853

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KINGS COUNTY. (Continued.)

	Organized.	Admitted.
Brooklyn, E. D., St. Barnabas' Chapel,		
" St. Mark's,	1837.	1837
" St. Paul's,	-	1848
Brooklyn Hills, Holy Communion,	February 3, 1869.	1869
New York, Trinity,	September 11, 1854.	1854
Brooklyn, St. Paul's,	1836.	1836
Hamilton, St. John's,	September 29, 1834.	1834
Brooklyn, St. John's,	1860.	1860
Brooklyn, Ascension,	December 20, 1846.	1847

QUEENS COUNTY.

	Organized.	Admitted.
Brooklyn, Redeemer,	August 27, 1866.	1866
St. George's,		1837
Spring Harbor, St. John's,	February 16, 1835.	1837
Long Beach, St. Paul's Chapel,		
Long Beach, St. George's,	Between 1702 and 1705.	1785
" Mission,		
Long Beach, St. Paul's,	May, 1833.	1834
Long Beach, St. George's,	1704.	1786
Long Beach, Grace,	June, 1701.	1785
Long Beach, Zion,	June 17, 1830.	1830
Long Beach, Island City, St. John's,		1866
Long Beach, Christ,	1819.	1833
Long Beach, St. Saviour's,		1847
Long Beach, St. James',	September 9, 1761.	1785
Long Beach, Christ,		1837
Long Beach, St. Thomas',	February 6, 1839.	1839
Long Beach, Trinity,	February 14, 1844.	1844
" Chapel,		
Long Beach, Trinity,		1869
Long Beach, Oyster Bay, Grace,		1845
Long Beach, Grace,	September 6, 1858.	1858

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

	Organized.	Admitted.
Hampton, St. Luke's,		
Brooklyn, Holy Trinity,		
Brooklyn, St. John's,	1745.	1838
Brooklyn, St. John's,	About 1787.	1787
Brooklyn, St. Mark's,	November 15, 1847.	1850
Brooklyn, St. Paul's,		1854
Brooklyn, St. Mary's,		
Brooklyn, Christ,	1845.	1846
Brooklyn, St. Barnabas' Chapel,		
Brooklyn, Caroline,	1729, or before.	1788
Brooklyn, St. James',	July, 1853.	1853

APPENDIX IV.

The action taken by the Convention of the Diocese of New York, in relation to the Apportionment of Charitable Funds.

To the

REVEREND T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.,

*Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church,
in the Diocese of Long Island.*

REV. AND DEAR SIR :

By the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of New York, I am instructed to transmit to the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, the following Report and Resolutions :

I, therefore, hereby certify that the following is the

Report

OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF
NEW YORK, ON THE APPORTIONMENT OF CHARITABLE FUNDS,
MADE SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1869.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Convention of the Diocese of New York, to consider the subject of the apportionment of certain charitable funds over which this Convention has control, respectfully report :

That the resolution under which this Committee was appointed, so far as it relates to the duties of the Committee, is as follows :

" *Resolved*, That the subject of the apportionment of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, of the Parochial Fund, and any other charitable funds over which this Convention may have any control, among the several Dioceses which may hereafter exist within the limits of the present Diocese of New York, be referred to a Special Committee of Seven, to report at the next Convention of the Diocese of New York."

Since the adjournment of the Convention of 1868, there have been erected within the limits of the Diocese of New York, as then existing, the two new Dioceses of Long Island and Albany. The apportionment of the charitable funds in question is, therefore, to be made between the three Dioceses of New York, Long Island and Albany.

The resolution specifies, among the funds to which it refers, the Fund for the Aged and Infirm Clergymen and the Parochial Fund; it also includes, without specification, any other charitable funds over which the Convention of this Diocese may have any control. Your Committee, on investigation, find no other charitable fund coming under this description. The "Sands Fund," of \$3,000, given and bequeathed by Abraham B. Sands, Esq., and accepted by this Convention in the year of our Lord, 1862, although a charitable fund, is not subject to the control of this Convention, the Trustees being required, by the terms of the bequest, to pay over the whole interest and income thereof to the Bishop of this Diocese for the purposes of the trust; nor is it subject to apportionment, because given on condition that "in case the present Diocese of New York should at any future time be divided, this fund shall always belong to that portion of the Diocese of which the City of New York shall form a part."

Your Committee, finding themselves thus discharged from considering any funds other than those specified in the resolution, proceeded to acquaint themselves with the history and state of those funds, as a preliminary to a decision on the question of their apportionment.

The Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen was commenced in the year of our Lord, 1842. It has been maintained partly by collections and contributions, and partly by bequests, and has been managed by Trustees under an act of the Legislature. From an examination of the Journals of this Convention, to which the Trustees have made annual reports, from the year 1842 to the year 1868, with the exception of the year 1867, when, although there was a report from the Treasurer to the Convention, as he being in Europe, a tabular statement of the contributions of each parish could not appear in its Journal, it is ascertained, that the contributions by collections in the Churches during that period amounted to \$2,669 03, and that there was received, from legacies, the additional sum of \$6,500, making an aggregate of \$9,169 03; and it further appears, that of these contributions there came from that part of the Diocese constituting the present Diocese of New York, the sum of \$67,809 06; from what is now the Diocese of Long Island, \$15,019 20; and from what is now the Diocese of Albany, \$9,840 77; while, of the \$6,500 received by bequest, about \$5,500 was given within the limits of this Diocese, besides the sum above stated of contributions from its Churches. In other words, about 75 per cent. of the aggregate of contributions came from the present Diocese of New York, about 15 per cent. from the Diocese of Long Island as now constituted, and about 10 per cent. from the Diocese of Albany.

From the report made by the Trustees to the Convention in 1868, it

appears that the invested fund then amounted to \$54,700, including the amounts received by bequest. This is the sum to be now apportioned, the remainder of the aggregate of nearly \$100,000 having been disbursed, from year to year, for the charitable purposes of the trust.

After due consideration and deliberation, the Committee, desiring to deal with the subject referred to them in the most liberal manner, and to secure the largest results for good to all parties concerned, have decided to recommend, that there be returned to the Dioceses of Long Island and Albany respectively, from the present invested funds, amounts equal to the sums of the contributions to the whole fund since its foundation, from Churches in those parts of the old Dioceses now comprised within the new ones; or, in other words, that *the Diocese of New York assume to itself the entire disbursement thus far, and retain of the invested balance, a part very much less than one-half of its whole contributions to the aggregate receipts up to this time.* From that part of the former Diocese of New York now constituting the Diocese of Long Island, there has been received from the time when the fund was commenced, the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, in round numbers, of which at least one half has been disbursed among the beneficiaries of the trust, while the remaining half is invested. It is now proposed to return to that Diocese the whole sum of fifteen thousand dollars, from the funds in the control of this Convention, without regard to the fact that at least one half has been consumed in current benefits of the trust. The same principle is adopted in respect to the Diocese of Albany. It is, of course, understood that the amounts thus returned to the new Dioceses shall be received by Trustees legally appointed, and shall be applied only to the purposes to which they are at present devoted.

The Committee would further remark, that there are at this time eighteen beneficiaries of this fund. Three of these belong to the Diocese of Albany, and three to that of Long Island. The Diocese of New York, under the arrangement proposed by the Committee, will surrender nearly one-half of the invested fund, and yet will retain twelve out of the eighteen beneficiaries.

From the reports of the Treasurer of the Parochial Fund, it appears that the whole amount invested is but \$4,400. The whole amount contributed to the fund was \$7,367 05, of which Long Island contributed \$714 13, and Albany \$166 26. The Committee are, notwithstanding, of the opinion that the principles adopted in the apportionment of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen should be applied in this case also; the smallness of the fund, however, diminishes the apparent importance of the question.

The Committee think it very desirable that the Convention should act

ect now before them without delay, lest complications should
deferring the apportionment of the funds; and, presuming that
rustees have already been, or will undoubtedly be, appointed in
es of Long Island and Albany, to receive and hold their pro-
the funds to be now distributed, they recommend to this Con-
r adoption, the following resolutions :

That the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen be
eby authorized and directed, out of the invested funds now in their
ansfer and pay over from the same the amount of fifteen thousand
,000) to such person or persons as are or may hereafter be legally
y the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, to receive and hold
m in trust for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen in that

That the said Trustees be and are hereby further authorized and
transfer and pay over, out of the said invested funds now in their
further sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to such person or
are or may hereafter be legally appointed by the Convention of the
Albany, to receive and hold the said sum in trust for the relief of
Infirm Clergymen in that Diocese.

That the Treasurer of the Parochial Fund be and is hereby authorized
d to transfer and pay over, out of the invested funds now in his
sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to such person or persons as
hereafter be legally appointed by the Convention of the Diocese of
id, and the further sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to such
persons as may hereafter be legally appointed by the Convention of
e of Albany, to receive and hold the said sums, respectively, in trust
ects had in view in the foundation and establishment of the Parochial
e Diocese of New York.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HORATIO POTTER,
ALEX. H. VINTON,
MORGAN DIX,
ALFRED B. BEACH,
SAM'L HOLLINGSWORTH,
ANTHONY B. McDONALD,
EDWARD F. DE LANCEY.

certify, that, on the 30th day of September, A. D., 1869, the
on of the Diocese of New York, passed the resolutions recom-
the foregoing report.

certify, that, on the same day, the same Convention of the
f New York, passed the following resolution, viz :

That two thousand dollars of the Permanent Missionary Fund of
ention, be given to the Diocese of Albany, and one thousand dollars

of the same to the Diocese of Long Island, and that the Treasurer be empowered to pay over the same to such persons as may be legally appointed by the Conventions of these Dioceses respectively, for the purposes of said fund: *Provided*, That such fund be legally available for such disposal, and that such payment be consistent with the terms on which said fund is now held by the Convention of the Diocese of New York.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto put my hand, on this thirtieth day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, in the Diocese and City of New York.

WILLIAM E. EIGENBRODT,

*Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal
Church, in the Diocese of New York.*

A P P E N D I X V.

T H E C O N S T I T U T I O N

OF THE

P r o t e s t a n t E p i s c o p a l C h u r c h ,

IN THE

D I O C E S E O F L O N G I S L A N D .

A R T I C L E I.

SECTION 1.—There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, on the Third Tuesday of May, in each year, in such place as shall be determined by the Bishop for the time being; or, in case of his inability to act, or a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

SEC. 2.—In the event of the prevalence of any epidemic disease, or for other sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of meeting, the Bishop, or, in the cases above mentioned, the Standing Committee, may appoint another place for the meeting of the Convention.

A R T I C L E II.

The Bishop may call Special Conventions when he shall judge it conducive to the good of the Church.

In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the inability of the Bishop to do so, the Standing Committee may call such Conventions.

A R T I C L E III.

SECTION 1.—The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, the officiating Ministers, regularly admitted and

settled in some Church within this Diocese, which is in union with the Convention; and of Lay-members, not exceeding three Delegates from each Parish.

SEC. 2.—Clergymen employed as Missionaries under the direction of this Convention, Chaplains in the Army or Navy of the United States, who shall be canonically connected with the Diocese, and on duty at some station within its limits, and Clergymen engaged as professors or instructors of youth, in any College, Academy or General Seminary of learning, duly incorporated, may be members of this Convention.

SEC. 3.—The Lay Delegates shall be chosen by the Vestry, when one is in legal existence. When the Vestry is, from vacancy or otherwise, incompetent to act, they shall be chosen by the Congregation.

SEC. 4.—But in cases of Churches or Congregations, organized or incorporated without a Vestry, Delegates may be chosen by the Church or Congregation, unless the Convention shall otherwise prescribe.

SEC. 5.—The mode of admitting new Churches or Congregations into union with the Convention may be prescribed by Canon.

ARTICLE IV.

Every Convention shall be opened with the prayers of the Church. On the first morning of the Convention, there shall be a sermon, address or charge by the Bishop, or a sermon by some Presbyter, to be appointed by him, and the Holy Communion shall always be celebrated. In case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the sermon shall be provided for by the Standing Committee.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop, by virtue of his office, shall preside in the Convention; but in case of a vacancy, inability to act or absence, the members shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1.—A Secretary shall be chosen upon the assembling of the Convention, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Convention, and until a successor be chosen. His duty shall be to take minutes of the proceedings, to preserve the journals and

ords, to attest the public acts of the body, and to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relating to the concerns of the Convention, which may be in his possession.

SEC. 2.—It shall be also his duty to give due notice of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION 1.—In all matters which come before the Convention, the clergy and laity shall deliberate, and except as hereinafter provided, shall vote in one body; but if in any case it shall be required by five votes, either wholly or in part of Clergymen, or of Lay Delegates, or shall be demanded by Canon, the two orders shall vote separately, the clergy by individuals, and the laity by congregations; and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a decision.

SEC. 2.—In case of the election of a Bishop, the two orders shall always vote separately, and according to the mode above prescribed.

ARTICLE VIII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for an amendment shall be introduced, in writing, and considered in the Convention; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next Convention; and, if again approved of in such next Convention, by a majority of the two orders voting thereon separately, the same shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be binding and obligatory.

THE CANONS
OF THE
Protestant Episcopal Church,
IN THE
DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

PRELIMINARY CANON.

The Definition of Terms.

Unless it shall otherwise appear from the context, or be otherwise expressly directed, the following terms, shall, for the purposes of these Canons, be construed to mean as follows:

The term "Digest" to mean, the Digest of the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, passed and adopted in General Convention in October, 1859, and any amendments thereof; the term "The Canons," the Canons of the Church in this Diocese; the term "Minister," a Bishop, Priest or Deacon; the term "Clergyman," a Priest or Deacon; the term "This Church," the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; the term "Ecclesiastical Authority," the Bishop of the Diocese or his Assistant Bishop, or any Provincial or other Bishop, acting under the authority of the General Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or the Clerical members thereof, when authorized by the Digest.

Whenever words importing the plural number are used in describing or referring to any matters, parties, or persons, any single matter, party or person shall be deemed to be included, although distributive words may not be used.

ARTICLE I.

CANON 1.

Record or List of Ministers in the Diocese.

SECTION I.—The Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared and kept, a list of all the ministers of this Church canonically resident in the Diocese, designating those regularly admitted and settled in some Church within the Diocese in union with this Convention, by the names of their respective Churches, Cures, or Parishes; those employed as Missionaries under the direction of this Convention, by their respective stations; those who are Chaplains in the Army or Navy by their post of duty; and those employed as instructors of youth in any college, academy or seminary of learning not incorporated, by the colleges, academies, or other seminaries of learning in which they are engaged; or, in regard to those not so engaged, their places of residence only.

SEC. II.—Such list shall be recorded in a book by the Secretary of the Convention, under the supervision of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

SEC. III.—The Secretary of the Convention shall record in such book certificates that shall be delivered to the Ecclesiastical Authority under Section I, of Canon 12, Title I, of the Digest, provided that the same be accompanied in such case with the certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority, that the person so chosen to any Church or Parish in this Diocese, is a qualified minister of this Church; and such certificates are to be transmitted to him by the Ecclesiastical Authority for record.

SEC. IV.—[1.] When Letters Dimissory, mentioned in Section VII, of Canon 12, Title I, of the Digest, shall have been accepted, the Clergyman received shall procure from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate that he has been received into the Diocese, in compliance with such Section and Canon. He shall cause such certificate to be delivered to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record such transfer. The canonical residence of such Clergyman shall be deemed to be established upon the record being thus made, and not before.

[2.] The Ecclesiastical Authority shall also certify, in writing, to the Secretary the names of all Ministers who shall, by ordination or any other mode than as above specified, become canonically resident within this Diocese, together with their proper designation, as specified in Section I of this Canon, to be in like manner recorded.

[3.] And such Authority shall also certify to the Secretary the name of every Minister deceased, transferred, deposed or suspended, in order that such names may, in the first three cases, be stricken from the record, and in the last, that a minute of the sentence may be made.

[4.] A copy of such record or list shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of its meeting, and shall be prefixed to the journal.

[5.] Such record or a transcript thereof, or of such part thereof as may relate to the matter in question, shall be admitted in evidence upon all proceedings or trials, under any law or Canon in force in this Diocese.

CANON 2.

Of the Convention.

SECTION I.—*The Clerical Members and Evidence of Right to Seats.*

[1.] Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of the Diocese, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of ministers entitled to a seat in the Convention, pursuant to the third Article of the Constitution. No suspended minister shall have a place on such list. Such list, or a copy, authenticated by the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of the meeting, and filed with the Secretary.

[2.] Any correction of such list may be made by the Convention during its session, and the right to make such correction belongs exclusively to the Convention. The list shall be recorded by the Secretary in a book kept for the purpose.

[3.] The right of any minister to a seat in the Convention shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in such list or omitted. Such list shall, however, be taken as presumptive evidence of the right of those whose names appear thereon, and that none others have such right.

[4.] In case of a contested right to a seat of any Clergyman, who may be elected to any Church or Parish in this Diocese, the evidence of settlement shall consist in the Record required in Canon 1, Section III. of this Article, or in the production of the certificate specified therein, which certificate, if not previously recorded, shall thereupon be recorded in the book kept under said Section I.

[5.] In case of a contested right to a seat of a Minister, claiming such right by virtue of his being employed as a Missionary, under the direction of this Convention, the evidence of such employment shall consist in the written certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

[6.] In case of a contested right to a seat of a Clergyman, claiming such right as Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States, under the provisions of the Constitution, the evidence of his employment upon any station shall be a certificate of the commanding officer of that station.

[7.] In case of a contested right to a seat of a Clergyman, claiming such right by virtue of his being engaged as a professor or instructor of youth in a college, academy or general seminary of learning, duly incorporated, the evidence of his connection with such shall consist of the written certificate of the President or Secretary of such Corporation.

[8.] And in the case of a contested right to a seat of any Clergyman, who may claim to have been received into this Diocese, the production of the Record kept under Canon 1 of "The Canons," or of the Certificate of Acceptance, given under Section II., Clause 1 hereof, shall be presumptive evidence of a regular admission, which certificate, if not previously recorded, shall thereupon be recorded by the Secretary.

[9.] A minister is settled for all the purposes mentioned in the canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of this Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

SEC. II.—*Of Lay Delegates and Evidence of Rights.*

[1.] The appointment of Lay Delegates to the Convention, in churches organized or incorporated with a Vestry, if they be chosen by the Vestry, shall be made at a regular meeting of such Vestry, held according to law; if they be chosen by the Congregation, the like notice of the time and place of holding the election shall be given, and the electors must have the like legal qualifications, and the election shall be conducted in the like manner, as prescribed by law for the election of Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parishes respectively in which they are held.

[2.] The evidence of the appointment of a Lay Delegate, if made by the Vestry, shall be a written certificate signed by the Rector of the Church, if there be one, or if there be no Rector, by the Warden

who presides at the meeting, at which such delegate is appointed; and also in each case, by the Clerk of the Vestry.

[3.] If the appointment be made by the Congregation, the evidence shall be a certificate signed by the same persons, who are required by law to certify or attest the election of Wardens and Vestrymen in the respective Parishes.

[4.] Every certificate of the appointment of a Lay Delegate shall show upon its face, that the appointment has been made in pursuance of the requirements of this Section, and shall certify that the Delegate has the qualifications required by the next succeeding clause of this Section.

[5.] No Lay Delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be entitled to vote for the Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church which he is appointed to represent.

[6.] Every Church or Congregation incorporated since April, 1813, or hereafter to be incorporated under any law of the State of New York, other than the General Act for the Incorporation of Churches, passed April, 1813, and its amendments, shall be entitled to appoint Lay Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three in number.

They must have been connected with the said Church or Congregation for at least six months previous to their appointment.

[7.] They shall be chosen by the male members of full legal age, who have habitually for six months preceding such election attended divine service in such Church or Congregation.

[8.] The time, place and manner of holding such election, and the notice for holding the same (which shall be ten days at least,) shall be fixed by rules or by-laws made by the Trustees of such Churches or Congregations, or by the Lay Members of the same, qualified as aforesaid, at a meeting duly convened.

[9.] A written certificate of the appointment of such Delegates, signed by the Minister, if there be one, or by the officer presiding at a meeting of the Congregation by which they were appointed, and by the Clerk or Secretary, is to be presented to the Convention, which certificate shall declare that such persons have been duly chosen Lay Delegates by such Church or Congregation, are members of the same, and have been such members for six months preceding.

[10.] A copy of this Section shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Convention, to the Vestry, or Trustees of every Church in

with this Convention, with blank printed forms of proceedings for it, to be entered upon their book of minutes. All alterations shall be similarly transmitted.

1.] No other certificate or evidence of the appointment of a Delegate than such as is required by this Section, shall be required, the right of any Layman to a seat in the Convention, in cases of doubt or dispute, shall be determined by the Convention itself.

SEC. III.—*Of the call of the Convention.*

1.] Unless it be otherwise directed by the Convention, the mode of giving notice of the meeting shall be by printed or written notice, stating the time and place thereof, with the signature of the Secretary, by mail to each Clergyman having a right to a seat, and to the Rector or Trustees of each Parish in the Diocese.

2.] Whenever, under the provisions of the Constitution, a special Convention is called for any particular purpose, it shall be the duty of the Secretary, in the notice thereof, to specify such purpose.

SEC. IV.—*Of a Quorum.*

The presence of at least fifteen Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of Delegates from at least fifteen Congregations, shall be necessary for the transaction of business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

SEC. V.—*Of Organizing the Convention.*

1.] If the Bishop is not present at its opening, the Secretary shall direct the members who present themselves, to order, when the senior Rector present, entitled to a seat in the Convention, shall take the chair, and shall preside until a President be elected, as provided by Article V. of the Constitution.

2.] The Secretary shall call over the names of the Clergymen entitled to seats, from the list filed with him, as directed in Clause 1, Section I., of Canon 2.

3.] He shall call over the Churches entitled to representation, and the Lay Delegates shall present their certificates, which certificates shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members appointed by the presiding officer. Irregular or defective certificates, and certificates and documents referring to contested seats, shall be temporarily laid aside. The names of the Lay Delegates,

duly appointed, shall then be called ; after which, the certificates and documents laid aside shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the Delegates named therein.

[4.] A canonical quorum of fifteen Clergymen and Delegates from fifteen Congregations being present, the Bishop, if present, shall declare the Convention duly organized. If the Bishop be not present, or unable to act, the temporary President shall direct that the members proceed to vote for a President, as provided for in Article V. of the Constitution, which election shall be by ballot. The President elected shall declare the Convention organized for business.

[5.] The Convention shall then proceed to the election, by ballot, of a Secretary. He may nominate an Assistant Secretary for choice by the Convention.

[6.] The rules of order in force at the preceding Convention, so far as they are applicable to the preliminary proceedings for the organization of the Convention, shall be deemed in force for that purpose ; and the said rules of order, except such of them as prescribe the mode of altering the same, shall regulate the proceedings, after the organization, until altered by the Convention.

SEC. VI.—*The Secretary.*

[1.] In addition to the offices and duties elsewhere declared, the Secretary shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of this Church, and to the Secretary of the last House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention a copy of the Journal of the Convention, and shall request the Secretaries of the Diocesan Conventions to send copies of their respective Journals in exchange.

[2.] He shall also transmit to every General Convention, in addition to the documents mentioned in Section IV., of Canon 15, Title I., of the Digest, a certificate, to be signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid, (distinguishing them,) to the General Theological Seminary, together with the nominations of Trustees of that Seminary ; and also, a like certificate of the appointment of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

[3.] Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office of Secretary of the Convention, or he shall be unable to act, the duties shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one ; if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

SEC. VII.—*The Treasurer.*

[1.] At every stated Convention there shall be chosen, by ballot, a Treasurer, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor is appointed. It shall be his duty to receive all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and to disburse them by the same authority; and where no disbursement has been ordered by the Convention, under the direction of the Standing Committee.

[2.] His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee appointed by it.

[3.] In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by the Standing Committee; and the person appointed by such Committee shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

SEC. VIII.—*Of Elections.*

Elections by ballot, when required by the Canons, may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention; and when the election is by ballot, a majority of the votes in each order, upon concurrent ballot, shall be necessary to a valid election.

SEC. IX.—*Of the admission of a Church into union, and of maintaining such union.*

[1.] To entitle a Church to admission into union with the Church in this Diocese, the Vestry or Trustees respectively shall submit to the Convention or to a Committee appointed by it the Certificate or Act of Incorporation, or a copy thereof, certified by the officer whose duty it is, or may be, to record or file certificates of incorporation of Religious Societies.

[2.] There shall also be submitted a certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority, that the incorporation of such Church is approved, and that such Church is duly and satisfactorily established.

[3.] Satisfactory testimony, by certificate of the Rector or Churchwarden, or the principal officer of a Board of Trustees, or otherwise, shall also be given, that not less than twenty-five persons of legal age, members of such Church, have habitually, for at least six months preceding such application, attended divine service in such Church or Congregation.

[4.] The application for admission shall be in writing, and shall be accompanied with a copy of a resolution adopted by the Vestry, Congregation or Trustees respectively, that such Church agrees to abide by and conform to the Constitutions, Canons, Rules and Orders in force within this Diocese. Such copy shall be certified by the Secretary or Clerk, and be authenticated by the seal of the Corporation.

[5.] Whenever any Church in union shall neglect, for three years in succession, to make a parochial report, (no missionary report being made in its behalf,) or shall not, during the same period, have employed a Clergyman as its Parish Minister, nor requested of the Ecclesiastical Authority the services of a Missionary, such Church shall be regarded as having forfeited its connection with the Convention, and shall no longer have a right to send Delegates to the same. The Bishop shall report such Church to the Convention in his annual address.

[6.] Such Church, however, may be re-admitted upon an application to the Convention, accompanied with a report of its condition, and on such terms as shall appear just; such re-admission to take place from and after the rising of the Convention consenting to it.

CANON 3.

Of the Standing Committee.

Whereas, by Canon 2, of Title III, of the Digest, it is required that there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention in each Diocese, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses; therefore it is, in addition to the Canons of the General Convention, declared and prescribed as follows:

SECTION I.—[1.] At every stated Convention, a Standing Committee shall be elected, to consist of four of the Clergy and four of the Laity, to be chosen by ballot, and by the concurrent vote of the members of each order. Each Standing Committee so elected shall continue in office until the next stated Convention and until a new Standing Committee shall be elected.

[2.] Vacancies in said Committee, occurring by death or otherwise, shall be supplied by the concurrent vote of the Clerical and Lay members of the Committee.

In all other cases they shall act as one body, without distinction of

lers, except when otherwise directed by the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. II.—In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the inability or disability of the Bishop, the powers and duties to be performed by him, in matters of discipline, shall be performed by the Standing Committee, except in those cases where such powers and duties are or may be specially delegated to or enjoined upon the Clerical members of such Committee, in which case they shall be exercised by such Clerical members alone; provided, that no sentence shall be pronounced on a Clergyman but by a Bishop.

CANON 4.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

SECTION I.—The Convention shall, at each regular annual meeting next preceding a stated meeting of the General Convention, elect, by the concurrent ballot of the Clerical and Lay members, four Clergymen and four Laymen as deputies to the General Convention from this Diocese. It shall, also, in like manner, elect four Clergymen and four Laymen as provisional deputies, to act in the cases hereafter mentioned. Such deputies and provisional deputies shall hold their respective stations until successors are appointed, and shall be deputies or provisional deputies for any General Convention which may be held during their continuance in office.

SEC. II.—Upon any vacancy occurring, by resignation, removal from the Diocese, death, or otherwise, among the deputies, or provisional deputies, between the stated times of election; the vacancy shall be supplied by any Convention during which or prior to which such vacancy shall occur.

SEC. III.—It shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop at least ten days before the meeting of the General Convention, their acceptance of the appointment, and their intention to discharge its duties; in default of which, the Bishop shall designate, from the list of provisional deputies, so many as may be necessary to insure, as far as practicable, a full representation of the Diocese. The Bishop shall, in like manner, designate, from the same list of provisional deputies, one or more, as the case may be, to supply any deficiency in the representation of the Diocese, which may in any way occur. The person or persons so designated, being furnished with a certificate of appointment, shall have all the power and authority of deputies duly elected by the Convention.

CANON 5.

Of the Episcopal Fund.

SECTION I.—[1.] The Fund for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese now provided, together with what may hereafter be contributed or acquired, and any accumulation from the investment thereof, shall be intrusted to the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

[2.] Such Trustees shall be five in number, and shall be appointed by and hold their offices during the pleasure of the Convention, which shall fill up all vacancies. Vacancies, however, occurring during a recess of the Convention, may be filled by the remaining Trustees, to be reported to and approved by the Convention.

SEC. II.—[1.] It shall be the duty of every Rector or Minister having charge of a Parish or Congregation in this Diocese, to cause an annual collection or contribution to be made in aid of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate; and in case of a vacant Parish, the duty shall devolve upon the Wardens and Vestrymen.

[2.] The amount received shall be paid to the Treasurer of the said Trustees, and shall be reported by them to the next Convention, at a stated meeting, and shall be entered on its Journal.

[3.] The moneys thus raised shall be kept by the Trustees in a regular course of accumulation without diminution, until by such accumulation it shall amount to at least one hundred thousand dollars; or until the Convention shall otherwise direct.

[4.] The interest or income of the Fund shall be subject to the order of the Convention.

SEC. III.—[1.] All moneys belonging to such Fund shall be loaned by the said Trustees upon security of real estate, or invested in stock of the United States, or of the State of New York, or of the cities of Brooklyn or New York, at their discretion. All securities shall be taken in the corporate name. The Trustees may, from time to time, change such investments.

[2.] A statement exhibiting the condition of the said Fund and securities, together with all receipts and disbursements, shall be reported to the Convention at every stated meeting thereof, signed by the Trustees, or a majority of them.

CANON 6.

Of the Diocesan Fund.

SECTION I.—Whereas it is indispensable to provide a fund for paying the necessary expenses of the Convention, it is therefore resolved that every Congregation in this Diocese to pay to the Secretary of the Convention, on or before the day of its Annual Meeting, a contribution of not less than one per cent. on the amount of the salary of its Clergyman, which fund shall be appropriated in part by a Committee of the Convention to said purposes.

SECTION II.—And whereas by Section V of Canon 1, of Title III, of the Constitution, it is made the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at the meeting of the same, three dollars for each Clergyman within the Diocese, for the purpose of paying the contingent expenses of the General Convention; therefore it shall be the duty of the Committees upon the Diocesan Fund to retain annually, out of the amount received by them, one dollar for each Clergyman in this Diocese. The amount thus retained shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at the meeting of the same.

CANON 7.

Of the Missionary Operations of the Diocese.

SECTION I.—At each annual Convention ten persons, members of the Church within the Diocese, one-half of whom shall be Clergymen and the other half Laymen, shall be chosen by ballot, who, with the Bishop or Bishops of the Diocese, shall form a Board, to direct the Missionary Committee of the Diocese of Long Island, and shall have the management of Missionary operations, and the disposition of all funds raised for the support of Missionaries in the Diocese.

SECTION II.—[1.] Of the Committee thus chosen, the Bishop shall be its President, and he shall have the sole power of nominating members, for appointment by the Committee. Upon a vacancy in the Episcopate, or inability of the Bishop to act, any member shall have the right to nominate.

The Committee shall have power to elect from its members a Chairman, *pro tem.*, in the absence of the Bishop; to appoint its own

Treasurer and Secretary; to fill vacancies occurring during the recess of the Convention; to make by-laws and rules, and to do all such other acts as may be needful to carry out the office and trust conferred upon it.

SEC. III.—It shall be the duty of the Committee to make an annual report of its proceedings to the Convention, containing the names of the Stations and Missionaries, a statement of its annual receipts and disbursements, of the Churches contributing, and of the sums contributed, a copy of its By-Laws or Rules, and whatever else may be deemed advisable to bring before the Convention.

SEC. IV.—It is hereby declared the duty of every Congregation in the Diocese, by collection or otherwise, to contribute to the treasury of the Missionary Fund.

CANON 8.

Of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

SECTION I.—It is hereby declared to be the duty of every Congregation in this Diocese to make an annual collection, to be applied to the relief of Clergymen disabled by age or disease. It is recommended that such collection be made on the annual Thanksgiving Day, or the Sunday next before or next following.

SEC. II.—Two Lay Trustees shall be appointed annually by the Convention, who with the Bishop and one Clergyman, to be chosen by the Convention, and the Treasurer of the Convention, shall constitute a Board, to be called The Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, whose duty it shall be to receive applications for relief, and to apply the Fund according to such rules and principles as the said Trustees shall adopt, to be submitted to the Convention for its revision and approval.

SEC. III.—Vacancies occurring in the number of the Trustees during the recess of the Convention, may be supplied by the remaining Trustees.

SEC. IV.—All contributions or donations for this object shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Convention, and funds not needed for current use shall be invested and held in trust by such Trustees.

CANON 9.

Of the Church Charity Foundation.

The Church Charity Foundation of Long Island is hereby recognized as a Diocesan Institution, for which provision is recommended

to be made, so that each Congregation in the Diocese may make an annual contribution thereto.

ARTICLE II.

OF DISCIPLINE.*

Whenever any Minister of this Diocese, not being a Bishop thereof, shall become "liable to presentment and trial" under the provisions of any Canon of the General or Diocesan Convention, the mode of proceeding in this Diocese shall be as follows, viz:

SECTION I.—The trial shall be on a presentment in writing, addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, specifying the offences of which the accused is alleged to be guilty, with reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstances. Such presentment may be made by the major part in number of the members of the Vestry of any Church of which the accused is a Minister, or by any three Presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, or as hereinafter mentioned. Whenever from public rumor, or otherwise, the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any Clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of any offence or misconduct, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to appoint three persons, of whom three at least shall be Presbyters, to examine the case; a majority of whom may make such examination; and if there is in their opinion sufficient ground for presentment, shall present the Clergyman accordingly.

SEC. II.—A presentment being made in any one of the modes above prescribed, the Bishop, if the facts charged shall not appear to him to be such as constitute an offence, may dismiss it; or if alleged facts, some of which do, and some of which do not, constitute an offence, he may allow it in part and dismiss the residue, or he may permit it to be amended. When it shall be allowed in whole or in part, the Bishop shall cause a copy of it to be served on the accused; and shall also nominate twelve Presbyters of this Diocese entitled to seats in the Convention, and not being parties to the presentment, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall within thirty days after such service, select five of them.

* This Article consists of Canon 17, of the Diocese of New York, and will remain in force in this Diocese until the second day of the next Convention. See Journal, p. 66.

and notify their names in writing to the Bishop; and if he shall not give such notification to the Bishop within the said thirty days, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place (but always within this Diocese), as they shall think necessary.

SEC. III.—A written notice of the time and place of their first meeting shall be served at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused, and also on one of the persons making the presentment.

SEC. IV.—If, at the time appointed for the first meeting of the Board of Presbyters, the whole number of five shall not attend, then those who do attend may adjourn from time to time; and if after one adjournment or more, it shall appear to them improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, then those who do attend, not being less than three, shall constitute the Board, and proceed to the trial, and a majority of them shall decide all questions.

SEC. V.—If a Clergyman presented shall confess the truth of the facts alleged in the presentment, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to proceed to pass sentence; and if he shall not confess them before the appointment of a Board for his trial, as before mentioned, he shall be considered as denying them.

SEC. VI.—If a Clergyman presented, after having had due notice shall not appear before the Board of Presbyters appointed for his trial, the Board may nevertheless proceed as if he were present, unless for good cause, they shall see fit to adjourn till another day.

SEC. VII.—When the Board proceed to the trial, they shall hear such evidence as shall be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses, that they will testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, concerning the facts charged in the presentment. If on or during the trial the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, as stated in the presentment, the Board may dispense with hearing further evidence, and may proceed at once to state their opinion to the Bishop as to the sentence that ought to be pronounced.

SEC. VIII.—Upon the application of either party to the Bishop

and it being made satisfactorily to appear to him that any material witnesses cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint a Commissary to take the testimony of any such witness. Such Commissary may be either a Clergyman or a Layman, and the party so applying, shall give to the other at least *six* days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person on whom the notice shall be served, shall reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness, and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissary, and enclosed under his seal, and transmitted to the Board, and shall be received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such Commissary, may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SEC. IX.—The Board having deliberately considered the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether the accused is guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively, and also stating the sentence which in their opinion should be pronounced; and a copy of such decision shall be without delay communicated to the accused; and the original decision, together with the evidence, shall be delivered to the Bishop, who shall pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board; and such sentence shall be final. Before pronouncing any sentence, the Bishop shall summon the accused and any three or more of the Clergy, to meet him at such time as may in his opinion be most convenient, in some Church to be designated by him, which shall for that purpose be open at the time to all persons who may choose to attend, and the sentence shall then and there be publicly pronounced by the Bishop. But the Bishop, if he shall be satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, the proceedings before whom shall be conducted as before mentioned.

SEC. X.—All notices and papers contemplated in this Canon, may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed for the purpose by the Bishop, and whose certificate of such service shall be evidence thereof. In case of service by any other person, the facts shall be proved by the affidavit of such person. A written notice or

paper delivered to a party, or left at his last place of residence, shall be deemed a sufficient service of such notice or paper.

SEC. XI.—The defendant may have the privilege of appearing by counsel: in case of the exercise of which privilege, and not otherwise, those who present shall have also the like privilege.

ARTICLE III. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON 1.

Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.

SECTION 1.—[1.] According to Section V., Canon 12, Title I, of the Digest, each Clergyman of this Church shall keep a Register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Constitution of the Diocese where his cure lies.

[2.] The Register so to be kept by him shall specify the name, place and time of the birth of the child baptised, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptised, and the names of the witnesses; the names of the parties married; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed.

[3.] These entries shall be made by the Minister in a book to be provided for that purpose, belonging to the Vestry of each Church, which book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be preserved by the Vestry as a part of the records of the Church.

[4.] The list of communicants shall embrace all within the minister's cure, as nearly as can be ascertained; and he shall also keep a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, as far as practicable; and also an accurate list of the persons confirmed, from time to time, by the Bishop.

SEC. II.—Every Minister of this Church shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, the number of communicants, the contributions for Diocesan, Missionary and other Church objects, in his Parish, and any other matters that may throw light

the state of the same; and in reporting the number of communications he shall distinguish the additions, removals and deaths since last report.

CANON 2.

Of Preparing a Report on the State of the Church.

Pursuant to Section V.. Canon 15, Title I., of the Digest, the Secretary of the Convention, with such aid as he may require, shall, at the stated Convention next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, assist the Bishop and Standing Committee in preparing a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, and a list of the Clergy to be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Members.

CANON 3.

Of Vacant Parishes.

Whenever a Parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to give immediate notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority.

CANON 4.

Of Repealed Canons.

Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and a Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON 5.

Of the Repeal, Amendment and Enactment of New Canons.

SECTION I.—In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: “Canon —— (or Section ——, of Canon ——, or Clause ——, of Section ——, of Canon ——,) of Article ——, is hereby amended so as to read as follows.” And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section or Canon, it shall be designated as the —— Canon, or next Section, or next Clause of a Canon or Section, in the order of the numbering of the Article to which the subject matter belongs. If a Canon, or Section, or Clause be stricken out,

the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

SEC. II.—The Secretary, with any one of the Committee on Canons, selected by such Committee, shall, at the close of each session of the Convention, certify the changes made in the Canons, and the Secretary shall print the same in the Journal.

CANON 6.

Of Amendments of the Canons.

The Canons may be altered, or new Canons may be added at the Annual Convention, by the vote of a majority of the members of the same.

The undersigned, in accordance with Section II, of Canon 5, Article III., hereby certify that the foregoing Constitution and Canons are a true copy of the same, reported by the Committee chosen to frame them, with amendments, and passed by the Convention.

ALEXANDER BURGESS,

Chairman of the Committee on Canons.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE,

Secretary of the Convention.

APPENDIX VI.

Officers of the Diocese.

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“ Rev. EDMUND D. COOPER, *Assistant Secretary*.
Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

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“ JOHN A. PADDOCK.
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Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.
The Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT.
Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN.
The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

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“ J. CARPENTER SMITH, D. D.
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Mr. JOSEPH W. GREENE.
“ JOHN HALSEY.
“ ALEXANDER V. BLAKE.
“ WILLIAM MULLIGAN, *Treasurer*.
The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW, *Secretary*.

* The Standing Committee meet stately on the Mondays of the Ember Weeks, December 13th, 1869, and March 7th, 1870. Papers requiring their action should be sent to the Secretary previous to these dates.

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“ HENRY SANGER.

“ JOHN A. KING.

“ JOHN HALSEY.

“ JOHN T. WALKER, *Secretary*.

“ WILLIAM MULLIGAN.

ON THE APPORTIONMENT OF THE CHARITABLE OR
OTHER FUNDS OF THE LATE UNDIVIDED
DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Rev. N. H. SCHENCK, D.D.

“ ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.

“ THOMAS MALLABY.

Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN.

The Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

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Statistics of the Diocese.

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Clergymen Received into the Diocese	13
“ Transferred to other Dioceses	11
“ Died	1
Candidates for Holy Orders	6
Lay Readers and Catechists Licensed	6
Corner Stones Laid	2
New Parishes admitted into Union with the Convention	4
Parishes in Union with the Convention	61
Baptisms : Adults, 332 ; Infants, 1,580 ; Total	1,912
Confirmations	1,334
Communicants : Admitted, 936 ; Present Number	9,837
Marriages	499
Burials	937
Sunday School Teachers, or Catechists	1,230
Sunday School Scholars	10,677
OFFERINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS :	
For Parochial Purposes	\$187,470 59
Diocesan “	45,466 83
General “	31,304 85
Not specified “	21,121 34
Total	<u>\$285,363 61</u>

The foregoing items do not give a complete view of the Diocese for the year, in all respects, as some Parishes have either failed to report, or have given only a few particulars.

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- The Rev. EDWARD JESSUP**, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, Kings County.
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- The Rev. JOSHUA KIMBER**, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. George's Church, and Missionary, Flushing, Queens County.
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- * **The Rev. WILLIAM A. W. MAYBIN**, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, E. D., Kings County.
- The Rev. AMOS D. MCCOY**, Alexandria, Parish of Rapides, La.
- * **The Rev. S. McNULTY**, Rector of Trinity Church, Roslyn, Queens County.
- * **The Rev. WILLIAM H. MOORE**, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead, Queens County.
- The Rev. JOHN J. A. MORGAN**, Deacon, Hempstead, Queens County.
- The Rev. HENRY H. MORRELL**, Whitestone, Queens County.
- The Rev. JOHN G. MULHOLLAND**, Brooklyn, Kings County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM B. MUSGRAVE**, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Sag Harbor, Suffolk County.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. NEILSON, Jr.**, Rector of St. John's Church, Long Island City, Queens County.
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The Rev. GEORGE W. NICHOLS, Brooklyn, Kings County.

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The Rev. WILLIAM SCHOULER, Jr., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

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The Rev. OLIVER S. TAYLOR, Deacon.

The Rev. ROBERT E. TERRY, Rector of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. FERRIS TRIPP, Deacon,† Assistant Minister of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. CHARLES H. TUCKER, an Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Brooklyn, Kings County.

The Rev. THOMAS G. VALPY, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Brooklyn, Kings County, and Head Master of Trinity School.

The Rev. CHARLES H. VANDYNE, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, Queens County.

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Brooklyn, Kings County.
- * The Rev. WILLIAM T. WEBBE, Brooklyn, Kings County.
The Rev. CHARLES S. WILLIAMS, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Brook-
lyn, Kings County.
- * The Rev. WILLIAM M. WILLIAN, Minister of St. Michael's Church,
Brooklyn, Kings County.

Number of Clergymen present at this Convention.....	61
Number absent.....	10
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Number on the Roll of Convention.....	71
Number not entitled to seats.....	23
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Number of Clergymen belonging to the Diocese.....	94

This mark * designates the Alumni of the General Theological Seminary.
Deacons marked † have not passed the examinations required by Canon,
but are admitted to the restricted Diaconate: Canon 6, § II., Title I., of the
Digest of the Canons of the General Convention.

Clerical Members of this Convention.

Present at its sittings.

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“ Henry M. Beare,
“ William B. Bodine,
“ Darius R. Brewer,
“ John W. Buckmaster,
“ William M. Carmichael, D.D.
“ William S. Chadwell,
“ Thomas Cook,
“ Edmund D. Cooper,
“ Samuel Cox, D.D.
“ Jacob W. Diller, D.D.
“ W. D’Orville Doty,
“ Charles Douglas,
“ Henry A. Dows,
“ Richard B. Duane, D.D.
“ Caleb B. Ellsworth,
“ Joseph I. Elsegood,
“ William T. Fitch,
“ Alvah Guion,
“ Charles H. Hall, D.D.
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“ George G. Hepburn,
“ Charles Higbie,
“ Reeve Hobbie,
“ James E. Homans,
“ Charles W. Homer,
“ Henry E. Hovey,
“ Edward Hubbell,
“ Benjamin S. Huntington,
“ Richard G. Hutton,
“ William Hyde,

Rev. Edward Jessup,
“ Daniel V. M. Johnson, D.D.
“ Joshua Kimber,
“ Thomas Mallaby,
“ Francis Mansfield,
“ W. A. W. Maybin,
“ William H. Moore,
“ William H. Neilson, Jr.
“ Benjamin B. Newton,
“ Frederick M. Noll,
“ John A. Paddock,
“ Alfred H. Partridge,
“ Robert T. Pearson,
“ Francis Peck,
“ William H. Reid,
“ Reuben Riley,
“ Gilbert Sayres,
“ N. H. Schenck, D.D.
“ William Schouler, Jr.
“ J. Carpenter Smith, D.D.
“ Henry A. Spafard,
“ S. Stebbins Stocking,
“ Robert E. Terry,
“ Ferris Tripp,
“ Thomas G. Valpy,
“ Charles H. Vandyne,
“ Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D.
“ Henry B. Walbridge, D.D.
“ Charles S. Williams,
“ William M. Willian.

Clergy entitled to seats.

Absent from Convention.

Rev. John A. Aspinwall,
“ Lucius W. Bancroft, D.D.
“ Beverley R. Betts,
“ T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.
“ Robert W. Harris, D.D.

Rev. William L. Johnson, D.D.
“ Samuel A. McNulty,
“ Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.
“ William M. Postlethwaite,
“ Charles H. Tucker.

Clergy not entitled to seats.

Rev. John Burke,
“ Carlos E. Butler,
“ J. Barnwell Campbell,
“ Eli H. Canfield, D.D.
“ William C. Cooley,
“ J. F. Delaplaine Cornell,
“ Thomas F. Cornell,
“ Henry V. Degen,
“ Edward F. Edwards,
“ Charles H. Gardiner,
“ William D. Harlow,
“ Thomas R. Harris,

Rev. Amos D. McCoy,
“ John J. A. Morgan,
“ Henry H. Morrell,
“ John G. Mulholland,
“ William B. Musgrave,
“ George W. Nichols,
“ Joseph D. Philip,
“ E. Franklin Remington,
“ Oliver S. Taylor,
“ Joseph M. Waite,
“ William T. Webbe.

Lay Delegates to this Convention.

The names of those who were present are printed in Roman letters, and of those absent, or not heard to answer to their names, in Italics.

KINGS COUNTY.

CHRIST,	<i>Bay Ridge,</i>	<i>Joseph A. Perry,</i> David C. Winslow, <i>William H. Thomas.</i>
ALL SAINTS',	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	Arthur Sinclair, Robert Dent, Henry S. Lansdell.
ATONEMENT,	"	Christian Stohr, Thomas Preston, <i>Peter P. Walling.</i>
CHRIST,	"	Charles R. Marvin, <i>Charles Stanton,</i> James A. Cowing.
EMMANUEL,	"	Alexander E. Orr, William Henderson, William R. Ronalds.
EVANGELISTS',	"	<i>William Poole,</i> Nevin W. Butler, <i>Thomas Wilde.</i>
GRACE,	"	Henry E. Pierrepont, Alexander V. Blake, <i>William C. Sheldon.</i>
HOLY TRINITY,	"	<i>Hosea Webster,</i> Joseph W. Greene, John D. Cocks.
MEDIATOR,	"	Alfred Wayte, Charles Selden, Richard Griffith.
MESSIAH,	"	John Halsey, Franklin Bell, William N. Seymour.

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REDEEMER,	<i>Brooklyn,</i>	Christian W. Bouck, John Cooper, William A. Cook.
REFORMATION,	"	John Hawks, James S. Stearns, Lynde A. Catlin.
ST. ANDREW'S,	"	C. J. Jack, John P. Cranford, <i>M. L. Holman.</i>
ST. ANN'S,	"	Thomas Messenger, Abraham Wyckoff, Joseph Bryan.
ST. JAMES',	"	S. D. C. Van Bokkelen, John H. Rhodes, Edward F. de Selding.
ST. JOHN'S,	"	James B. Beers, Charles B. Delapierre, Gustavus Hart.
ST. LUKE'S,	"	William H. Fleeman, John W. Hunter, <i>John D. Bluxome.</i>
ST. MARK'S,	"	<i>Clemens Lockett,</i> <i>J. Henry Whitney,</i> Charles Bell.
ST. MARY'S,	"	Seymour L. Husted, William H. Pars, Kennard Buxton.
ST. MATTHEW'S,	"	Bailey J. Hathaway, Charles Blondell, <i>Robert Sullivan.</i>
ST. PAUL'S,	"	<i>Jasper W. Gilbert,</i> Augustus E. Masters, N. Denison Morgan.
ST. PETER'S,	"	John T. Walker, James S. Connell, Henry Hagner.
ST. STEPHEN'S,	"	John B. Carruthers, Richard Demill, Jerome Walker.
ASCENSION,	<i>Brooklyn, E. D.,</i>	James W. Valentine, <i>Thomas F. Rowland,</i> <i>George F. Nesbitt.</i>

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CALVARY,	<i>Brooklyn, E. D.,</i>	John Blake, Thomas Howe, John M. Young.
CHRIST,	“ “	Henry B. Scholes, Alonzo Gaubert, R. A. Robertson.
GRACE,	“ “	James Hall, Horace K. Willard, Charles M. Church.
ST. MARK'S,	“ “	Jonathan Janes, James G. Bennett, David Longworth.
ST. PAUL'S,	“ “	Gerard Willett, Thomas W. Groser, <i>Shubael O. Kellogg.</i>
HOLY COMMUNION,	<i>Cypress Hills,</i>	Gilbert Sayres, John C. E. Hinrichs, James Marten.
TRINITY,	<i>East New York,</i>	<i>Herman H. Kattenhorn,</i> Joseph F. Bridges, Philip H. Reid.
ST. PAUL'S,	<i>Flatbush,</i>	James T. Tapscott, John S. Hoogland, Freeman Clarkson.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Fort Hamilton,</i>	Francis Hopkins, Robert M. Hall, William M. Maynadier.
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Greenfield,</i>	John C. Robert, William H. Taylor, <i>John V. N. Bergen.</i>

QUEENS COUNTY.

REDEEMER,	<i>Astoria,</i>	<i>William Mulligan,</i> Edward W. Hewitt, Francis J. Dominick.
ST. GEORGE'S,	“	James M. Blackwell, James D. Trask, <i>Jonas Stremmell.</i>
ST. JOHN'S,	<i>Cold Spring Harbor,</i>	<i>Charles H. Jones,</i> <i>John D. Jones,</i> John D. Hewlett.

List of Lay Delegates.

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GEORGE'S,	Flushing,	Murray Hoffman, John W. Lawrence, Morris Franklin.
PAUL'S,	Glen Cove,	Joseph G. Russell, Thomas T. Jackson, George W. Cocks.
GEORGE'S,	Hempstead,	Charles Denton, Jacob Valentine, John H. Hentz.
RACE,	Jamaica,	William J. Cogswell, Jeremiah Valentine, Alexander Hagner.
ION,	Little Neck,	John A. King, Benjamin P. Allen, Jeremiah J. Valentine.
JOHN'S,	Long Island City,	William Nelson, John D. Smedley, Charles W. Lawrence.
HRIST,	Manhasset,	Andrew A. Bremner, William H. Onderdonk, Robert Morrell.
JAMES',	Newtown,	John J. Moore, C. Luyster Moore, Cornelius Hyatt.
IRIST,	Oyster Bay,	Thomas F. Youngs, David J. Youngs, Charles J. Chipp.
INITY,	Rockaway,	Joseph S. Wright, George T. Hewlett, James H. Jennings.
ACE,	South Oyster Bay,	David R. Floyd Jones, William Floyd Jones, Arthur Wellwood.
ACE,	Whitestone,	Clinton Graham, John Barrow, Franklin Sage.

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

JOHN'S,	Huntington,	Edward Kissam, Isaac Adams, Frederick Prime.
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ST. MARK'S,	<i>Islip,</i>	<i>Bradish Johnson,</i> <i>William Nicoll,</i> <i>George G. Wilmerding—</i>
CHRIST,	<i>Sag Harbor,</i>	<i>William Buck,</i> <i>Cleveland S. Stillwell,</i> <i>James W. Smith.</i>
CAROLINE,	<i>Setauket,</i>	<i>Charles E. Groesbeck,</i> <i>Jacob Ellison,</i> <i>Henry E. Smith.</i>
ST. JAMES',	<i>Smithtown,</i>	<i>Edmund T. Smith,</i> <i>Henry C. Webb,</i> <i>Daniel Y. Williamson.</i>

Proceedings of the Third Convention.

BROOKLYN, *Tuesday, May 17th, 1870.*

The Third Convention of the Diocese of Long Island commenced its session on Tuesday Morning, May 17th, 1870, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

Divine Service was held at half past ten o'clock. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Duane, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn, the Psalter being read by Rev. Rob't T. Pearson, Rector of Trinity Church, Rockaway. The first Lesson was read by the Rev. A. H. Partridge, Rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn, E. D., and the second by the Rev. Wm. H. Moore, Rector of St. George's Church, Hempstead. The Creed and Prayers were said by the Rev. Euben Riley, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Islip.

The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rev. Dr. Diller, Rector of St. Luke's, Brooklyn, reading the Epistle. The Rev. Dr. Hall, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, pronounced the Anthem, taken from the 8th Psalm of the Psalter, and the 103d Hymn. The Rev. J. C. Smith, D.D., Rector of St. George's Church, Flushing, preached a sermon from the text Acts xvi., part of the 10th verse.

The Rev. Dr. Van Kleeck, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, read the Offertory and Prayer for the whole Church of Christ's Church Militant. The Rev. John A. Adcock, Rector of St. Peter's, Brooklyn, said the Exhortation and General Confession. The Rev. Dr. Walbridge, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn, read "The Comfortable Words." The Bishop consecrated the elements, and was assisted in the distribution by the Rev. Drs.

Diller, Van Kleeck, Hall and Duane, and the Rev. Messrs. Paddock, Partridge, Riley and Moore. The Post-Communion was said by the Rev. Dr. Diller. The alms were collected by the Rev. Messrs. Tripp, Hovey, Hobbie and Kimber, and Messrs. William H. Parrs and Wm. Ritchie Ronalds, and were devoted to the missions in this diocese.

After a short recess, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary, Rev. Dr. Drowne, being prevented from attending the Convention by illness, the Assistant Secretary, Rev. E. D. Cooper, under direction of the Bishop, proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats, when fifty-two answered to their names, and took their seats as members.* The Churches entitled to representation were then called, and the Lay Delegates presented their certificates, which were examined by the Assistant Secretary and a Committee of two—Hon. John W. Hunter and Mr. John A. King, who were appointed by the Presiding Officer.

The names of the Lay Delegates were then called, and representatives from forty-nine Parishes appeared and took their seats.†

A constitutional quorum being present, the Right Reverend the PRESIDENT declared the Convention duly organized for business.

The Convention then proceeded, according to the VIth article of the Constitution, to the appointment of a Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. D. V. M. JOHNSON, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. Stafford Drowne, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, was unanimously re-elected Secretary, and Mr. Alex. Blake, Treasurer of the Convention.

The Bishop of the Diocese then stated that the Secretary had re-appointed the Rev. E. D. Cooper, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Astoria, as Assistant Secretary.

* The names of the Clergy who attended the Convention are prefixed to the Journal, p. 10.

† The names of the Lay Delegates present in this Convention are prefixed to the Journal, pp. 12-16.

The Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That this Convention unanimously express its earnest sympathy with our Rev. Brother, the Secretary of this body, in his painful illness, and having offered up their prayers to God for his recovery, in our opening services, we trust and pray that he may be speedily restored to his former health and usefulness.

On motion of the Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, it was resolved that the Assistant Secretary act as Secretary during the sessions of this Convention, and that he appoint an Assistant Secretary *pro tem.*; whereupon he appointed the Rev. Wm. O'Orville Doty, Rector of All Saints' Church, Brooklyn, as Assistant Secretary.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT then announced the following Standing Committees :

On the Incorporation and Admission of Churches.

The Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D., Mr. JOHN J. MOORE and Mr. THOMAS MESSENGER.

On the Diocesan Fund.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D., the Rev. D. R. BREWER, Mr. AUGUSTUS E. MASTERS, Mr. CHRISTIAN W. BOUCK and Mr. ALEXANDER C. BLAKE.

On the Treasurer's Report.

Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED, Mr. WILLIAM NICOLL and Mr. JONATHAN ANES.

On the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., the Rev. THOMAS MALLABY, Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, Mr. JOHN A. KING and Mr. WILLIAM MULLIGAN.

On Canons.

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D., the Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON, the Rev. EDWARD JESSUP, the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, the Hon. MURRAY HOFFMAN and the Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.

The Rev. Dr. HALL offered a series of Canons on Discipline, in place of Article II., which ceases to be in force on

the second day of this Convention; and moved that they be referred to the Committee on Canons, and printed for the use of the Convention; also certain amendments to other Canons, and a Canon providing for a Registrar and Historiographer of the Church, to be numbered Canon 5, Article I.

The Rev. Mr. JESSUP offered, at the suggestion of Judge Hoffman, the following additional Canon, to be known as Canon 7:

These Canons shall take effect on the 1st day of 1870; from and after which day all other Canons of this Diocese are hereby and shall be deemed to be repealed. Provided, however, that such repeal shall not affect any case of violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such cases shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

It was referred to Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, it was resolved that the Rules of Order of this Convention be published in the next and all succeeding Journals of the Convention until otherwise ordered.

The Report of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese was then presented and read by the Rev. Dr. D. V. M. JOHNSON:

Report

OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Missionary Committee would respectfully report:

That the whole number of Stations in the Diocese is 13—in Suffolk County, 5, and in Kings, 8. St. John's Church, Long Island City, having become self-sustaining, at the Rector's request has ceased to be a Station.

The Treasurer reports the balance on hand, Sept. 29th, 1869, \$2,230.15; receipts from all sources from that time until the 1st of May, 1870, \$2,740.14—total, \$4,970.29.

Paid the Missionaries and for all purposes of Mission work, during this period of seven months, \$2,848.85.

Seventeen parishes only have contributed to the fund since the last Convention. Offerings will, no doubt, be made in the remainder, on the occasion of the visitation of the Bishop, according to his request, and forwarded to the Treasurer.

In view of the great and important work before them, your Committee most earnestly hope that the receipts will swell the amount far beyond the gratifying returns reported to the last Convention. We shall thus give additional proof of the increased interest and awakened activities of Church in our young Diocese.

As recommended by a resolution of the last Convention, your Committee have had under consideration the aggressive work of the Church in Queens and Suffolk Counties; nor have they overlooked this great city, which of itself, with its suburbs, presents a wide field for wise measures and prompt and vigorous action. At the suggestion of the Bishop, who has thoroughly examined and clearly understands the situation, your Committee decided to establish an Associate Mission in Suffolk County, under the direction of the Bishop, as soon as practicable. It seemed to every member of the Committee the best and only feasible method for Church work in that portion of the Diocese, and they agreed with all that was said on this point in the address of the Bishop to the last Convention.

It will require a liberal supply of means, and men well adapted to the situation, to enter upon it with hope. Just as fast and freely, therefore, the former shall be supplied from the great wealth of this Diocese, and the latter can be found, your Committee will lose no time in pushing on with energy to place the Church in the large neglected portions of this rapidly growing city, and in the rural districts as well, where she can gain foothold. We have thus far avoided debt. The Missionaries have been paid, and there is a balance in the treasury. It will be the aim of the Committee to say this at every future sitting of the Convention.

If, therefore, Brethren, you desire the growth and development of the Church in this Diocese, through this Missionary enterprise (and this is a necessary condition of vitality and health), we simply add, give us the means, and remember us and the vast work before us in your prayers to

Great Head of the Church, and the waste places will soon be occupied, and your hearts will be made glad.

By order of the Committee,

DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*

BROOKLYN, May 16th, 1870.

LIST OF STATIONS AND MISSIONARIES,

From October 1st, 1869, to May 1st, 1870.

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

Sag Harbor—Rev. E. Hubbell.

Greenport—Rev. G. G. Hepburn. Resigned Dec. 1st.

Patchogue—Rev. Charles Douglas.

Setauket—Rev. F. M. Noll.

QUEENS COUNTY.

Hunter's Point—Rev. W. H. Neilson, Jr.

KINGS COUNTY.

Prisons and City Hospital—Mrs. C. M. Fellows.
Public Institutions at Flatbush—Miss Eliza J. Coakley.
Zion Chapel, 18th Ward—Rev. H. A. Dows.
Cypress Hills—Rev. George Sayres.
Greenfield—Rev. O. S. Taylor.
St. Thomas' Chapel—Rev. Alvah Guion.
Fort Hamilton—Rev. Henry E. Hovey.
Brownsville—Mr. Wm. H. Hooper.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.*

1870.	Dr.		
May 1.	To sundry payments from Sept. 29, 1869, to date, { as follows :		
	Rev. G. G. Hepburn	\$300	00
	" E. A. Edgerton	225	00
	" F. M. Noll	137	50
	" W. H. Neilson	87	50
	" Charles Douglas	225	00
	" E. Hubbell	75	00
	" O. S. Taylor	126	00
	" Henry A. Dows	375	00
	" George Sayres	135	00
	Mr. Wm. H. Hooper	135	00
	Mrs. C. M. Fellows	465	35
	Miss E. J. Coakley	262	50
	" E. Bully	25	00
	Church of Holy Evangelists, Brooklyn	175	00
	" Holy Trinity, Greenport	100	00
	To balance carried down	1,575	94
		<u>\$4,424</u>	<u>79</u>

1871.	Cr.	
	By balance at last Report	\$2,230 15
May 1	By cash received from Sept. 22 1869 to { date .	

* This Report is not brought down to the date of Convention.

From collection at Convention.....	\$94 03	
“ St. George’s Church, Astoria.....	175 00	
“ St. John’s Ch., Cold Spring Harbor.	50 00	
“ St. Paul’s Church, Glen Cove.....	15 00	
“ Christ “ Oyster Bay	6 35	
“ St. James’ “ Brooklyn.....	50 50	
“ Grace “ Brooklyn Heights.	1,340 00	
“ Caroline “ Setauket.....	2 82	
“ Zion “ Little Neck.....	52 17	
“ St. Peter’s “ Brooklyn.....	130 45	
“ Zion “ “ E. D. ..	1 00	
“ St. Mark’s “ Adelphi Street, Brooklyn.....	35 75	
“ Church of the Reformation, Brook- lyn.....	30 00	
“ Church of the Redeemer, Astoria ..	47 20	
“ Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn.....	35 30	
“ St. Andrew’s Church, Brooklyn....	19 97	
“ Church of the Ascension, Green- point.....	21 25	
“ Calvary Chapel, New York.....	22 00	
“ Collection at Ordination at Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.....	12 77	
	<hr/>	\$2,141 56
“ Miss T. Cowen, of Diocese of New York.....		35 00
“ Interest on money loaned.....		18 08
		<hr/>
		<u>\$4,424 79</u>
By balance brought down.....		\$1,575 94

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WM. MULLIGAN, *Treasurer.*

YORK, May 1st, 1870.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT announced the VIIth Rule of order on the admission of persons not members to the sitting of the Convention; whereupon the Rev. Winslow W. , of Lonsdale, R. I.; the Rev. Robert C. Booth, of , R. I., and the Rev. Joshua Weaver, of New York, and themselves of the privilege.

The Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund was read by Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT, Chairman of the Committee; as follows :

Report**OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.**

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund respectfully report :

That since their last report, dated 23d September last, collections have been made as follows :

Interest on Bonds of Churches.....	\$687 75
" " Bonds and Mortgages.....	1,225 00
" allowed on deposits in Bank.....	28 31
Paid by St. Saviour's Church, of Maspeth....	22 82
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	\$1,963 88
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Which amount has been appropriated by pay- ments to A. V. Blake, Treasurer, towards the Bishop's salary.....	\$1,941 06
Added to the Permanent Fund.....	22 82
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	\$1,963 88
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The Permanent Fund is now invested as follows :

Notes of Churches.....	\$275 00
Bonds " "	16,500 00
Bonds and Mortgages	35,000 00
Deposited in United States Trust Co.....	530 46
Cash in Bank.....	22 82
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	\$52,328 28
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Which is an increase since the last Report of..	\$22 82
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Respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
CHAS. R. MARVIN,
J. LAWRENCE SMITH.
J. D. JONES.

BROOKLYN, May 3d, 1870.

Since the foregoing account has been made, All Saints' Church of Brooklyn has contributed to the Permanent Fund the sum of \$11.06, and Grace Church, Brooklyn E. D., has paid and returned its note for \$100, due in October last.

May 10th, 1870.

Mr. N. D. MORGAN gave notice of his intention to call up certain proposed amendments to the Constitution, approved by the last Convention, and printed on page 68 of the Journal.

The Bishop announced that he would deliver his Annual Address on Wednesday morning, at half past ten o'clock, or after the transaction of the usual routine business.

The Report of the Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report, was presented and read by Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED:

Report

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

The Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, in account with Alexander V. Blake, Treasurer.

Dr.

1869.

Oct.	1.	Paid bill W. H. Arthur & Co. for Register.....	\$12 00
	"	" mileage to Rev. Mr. Hepburn.....	7 00
	"	" Rev. Dr. Hall for expenses attending Convention, Sextons, &c., by resolution.....	50 00
	5.	" for Telegram to Albany, Sept. 30.....	4 67
	14.	" Rev. Mr. Noll, mileage for two Conventions..	8 40
	19.	" " Dr. Carmichael for mileage.....	1 50
	22.	" " C. B. Ellsworth mileage, two Conventions	7 00
Nov.	5.	" for postage stamps.....	5 00
Dec.	9.	" C. F. Bloom's bill for printing.....	8 50

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Feb.	26.	" W. W. Swayne's bill for binding.	3 00
	"	" Church Journal, publishing acknowledgments..	6 40
Mar.	8.	" Rev. Dr. Drowne, for sundry disbursements...	23 40
	"	" H. M. Gardner, Jr., printing circulars, Nov. 5.	7 00
	"	" " " " for Convent'n, Oct. 15	8 00
May	11.	" C. F. Bloom, printing circulars, May 1.....	2 00
	13.	" W. H. Arthur & Co., printing in Oct. 1869..	25 00
	14.	" Slote & Janes, printing in April.....	13 50
	16.	" Seymour, Kennard & Hay, for printing Journal, Bishop's Sermon, &c.....	739 29
	"	" H. M. Gardner, Jr., bill of printing.....	18 00

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May 16.	Paid Rev. Dr. Drowne, for disbursements.....	\$7 44
17.	Cash on hand to new account.....	316 77

\$1,273 87

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Apr. 28.	Cash on hand from old account.....	\$4 37
"	Received from Grace Church, Williamsburgh....	22 50
Oct. 1.	" " " " Brooklyn Heights..	60 00
"	" " Zion " Little Neck	20 00
"	" " St. John's " Cold Spring Harbor	15 00
"	" " St. Thomas' " Brooklyn	2 00
"	" " St. John's " Huntington	15 00
"	" " St. Thomas' " Ravenswood	18 00
"	" " Holy Trinity " Greenport	2 00
"	" " Christ " Oyster Bay.....	15 00
"	" " Trinity " Rockaway.....	7 50
"	" " Christ " Manhasset	18 00
"	" " Grace " Jamaica	18 00
"	" " St. Mary's " Brooklyn	45 00
"	" " Calvary " Williamsburgh....	25 00
5.	" " St. Mark's " "	20 00
19.	" " Messiah " Brooklyn	60 00
29.	" " Evangelists' " "	10 50
Nov. 4.	" " Caroline " Brookhaven	1 25
"	" " St. John's " Long Island City..	10 50
8.	" " Christ " Brooklyn	52 50
10.	" " Holy Trinity " "	90 00
16.	" " Emmanuel " "	36 00
22.	" " Church of Redeemer, Astoria	30 00
24.	" " Christ Church, Sag Harbor	12 00
"	" " St. Luke's " Brooklyn	30 00
Dec. 4.	" " St. Mark's " Islip	15 00
9.	" " St. Paul's " Flatbush.....	16 50
30.	" " Grace " S. Oyster Bay....	9 75
31.	" " St. James' " Newtown.....	27 00
1870.		
Jan. 8.	" " St. Saviour's " Maspeth.....	18 00
28.	" " St. James' " Brooklyn	45 00
Feb. 2.	" " Grace " Whitestone	27 00
9.	" " St. George's " Astoria	22 50
16.	" " Reformation " Brooklyn	30 00

Feb. 24.	Received from Christ Church, Bay Ridge.....	30 00
Mar. 1.	“ “ St. Ann’s “ Brooklyn	120 00
8.	“ “ St. Paul’s “ “	30 00
11.	“ “ St. Peter’s “ “	60 00
16.	“ “ St. Mary’s “ “	45 00
Apr. 6.	“ “ St. Paul’s “ Flatbush.....	6 00
19.	“ “ St. Mark’s “ Williamsburgh....	10 00
30.	“ “ Trinity “ East New York...	15 00
May 9.	“ “ Church of Redeemer, Brooklyn.....	25 00
11.	“ “ St. Matthew’s Church, “	10 00
13.	“ “ Messiah “ “	50 00
16.	“ “ All Saints’ “ “	22 00
		<u>\$1,273 87</u>

1870.

May 17. Cash on hand brought down..... \$316 77

Recapitulation.

Cash on hand Sept. 28, 1869..	\$4 37
Received from 44 different Churches.....	1,269 50
	<u>\$1,273 87</u>
Payments for sundries.....	\$957 10
Cash on hand May 17, 1870.....	316 77
	<u>\$1,273 87</u>

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ALEX. V. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Examined with vouchers and found correct.

S. L. HUSTED,

SAM'L E. HOWARD,

Committee on Treasurer's Report.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. DUANE, it was

Resolved, That the officiating Ministers of this Diocese be requested to read to their congregations on two Sundays in the month of June, Section 1 of Canon 12, Title II, of the Digest, which treats of the removal of Communicants from one Parish to another.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. MOORE, it was

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to furnish a form to the clergy of this Diocese, which may be used by them in the case of communicants removing from one Parish to another.

The Rev. Mr. JESSUP, from the Committee on Canons, on so much of the Bishop's Address as referred to a Federate Council, read the following

Report

ON THE FEDERATE COUNCIL.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred so much of the Bishop's Address to the Convention of 1869, as relates to a Federate Council, to report thereon at the next Convention, beg leave to submit the following Report :

The sphere of action to be assigned to a Federate Council, can be defined only by the Council itself, when it shall assemble to complete its organization. The Canon of the General Convention, by virtue of which it is permitted to come into existence, leaves the functions to be exercised by it undetermined. It neither provides a Constitution for the Council nor defines its powers, nor does it authorize the Conventions of the several Dioceses of which it is to consist to do either. All that it does is to permit the Council to assemble and organize itself, under the single restriction that "before any determinate action of such Convention or Council shall be had, the powers proposed to be exercised thereby shall be submitted to the General Convention for its approval." The question, then, which concerns us now is, what is to be the relation of the Federate Council to the several Dioceses which shall be represented therein? Is the Council to be a new estate in our ecclesiastical system—a distinct department, possessed of co-ordinate powers with the National and the Diocesan? Is it, in short, to be regarded as a renewal of the ancient Provincial Synod, with complete and independent powers of legislation and of government, for that portion of the Church which may be embraced within its territorial limits? Or is it to be nothing more than a Federal League or Union, through which the several Dioceses composing it shall provide for certain specific interests which they hold in common? Now, in finding an answer to these questions, it is manifest that all preconceived theories, all historical precedents, can avail us nothing. What may have been in former periods of the Church's history, and what individual preference would seek to have now, is not at all to the point. The thing to be ascertained is, what was contemplated by the action which was taken preliminary to the passing of the permissive Canon of the General Convention? In other words, what was the idea out of which the movement originated, and from which it received all of its vitality? Now, upon referring to the history of the project, we find that application was made to the General Conven-

tion for the necessary authority to organize the Council, on the following grounds: First, for the sake of supplying a tie by which the new Diocese set off from the Diocese of New York might retain some sort of filial relation to the mother Diocese; and, second, that the several Dioceses in this State might be provided with a convenient agency through which to maintain and prosecute certain interests common to them all. Such were the proposed objects as set forth in the earliest record relating to the subject of a Council, in the Report of the Committee of Fifteen, of the Convention of New York, on the Division of the Diocese, in 1867. They were reiterated in the Report of the Committee of Five on a Federate Council, in the following year (1868). Respecting the proposed mode, the Report says, it "looks simply to the present needs of the Church; to the want, felt and expressed, of a legitimate mode of federate action among the Dioceses of this great State, as these Dioceses, by the Divine power and blessing, are rapidly multiplying; some mode by which the old and dear ties of fellowship as citizens of this Empire Commonwealth may be preserved, and by which the separated parts may still take counsel together, and act in concert for the promotion of their common interests; whether those interests relate to the State, or to the great work of Christian education, Christian missions or Christian charity, within our common borders; some mode by which the old prestige of the Church in the State of New York, with all its history and traditions, with the memory of its departed prelates and priests, and honored laymen, may still be preserved intact, as a heritage to our children and our children's children." To the same purport is the Memorial to the General Convention, prepared by the same Committee, and adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of New York.

Such, then, are the grounds on which permission was sought and obtained from the General Convention for the creation of a Federate Council. They are the only grounds extant, and they furnish all the guide which the Council itself may have in determining the powers which it may propose to assume. Those powers can be only of the nature of delegated powers, and they must be restrained within the limits of such interests as are common to the several Dioceses for whose convenience and benefit the Council is called into existence. To describe these powers in detail, or to point out the specific subjects on which this Convention shall consent to have them exercised, the Committee are of opinion would be, at this stage of the business, premature. The only point on which action would appear to be proper or desirable at the present time, is that of guarding our Diocesan rights from all possibility of encroachment, by a statement of the conditions on which this Convention gives its consent to the organization of the proposed Council. For this purpose the Committee recommend

the adoption of the following Resolution, embodying the plan agreed upon by the Convention of New York, but which has not heretofore received the formal concurrence of this Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

For the Committee,

EDWARD JESSUP.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, the consideration of the Resolution recommended in the Report, was deferred until Wednesday, at 3½ o'clock, P. M.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

The Second Day.

WEDNESDAY, *May 18th, Nine o'clock A.M.*

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Benjamin H. Abbott, Rector of Grace Church, Whitestone, the Right Reverend the Bishop pronouncing the absolution. The Rev. Henry E. Hobbie read the Psalter. The Lessons were read by the Rev. John W. Buckmaster, Rector of St. James' Church, Smithtown, and the Rev. Wm. H. Neilson, Rector of St. John's, Long Island City. The Rev. Mr. Fitch, Rector of St. Mark's, Brooklyn, said the Creed and Prayers.

The Right. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese took the Chair.

The Minutes of the first day's proceedings were read and approved.

The names of Clerical Members and of Lay Delegates not present on the first day, were called, when several persons answered to their names and took their seats.

The Rev. Dr. D. V. M. JOHNSON, from the Committee on the Incorporation and Admission of Churches, presented and read the following

Report

ON THE INCORPORATION AND ADMISSION OF CHURCHES.

The Committee on the Incorporation and Admission of Churches, respectfully report, that they have received from the Secretary of the Convention one application, viz. :

St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma, Suffolk Co.

Your Committee find the papers defective in two particulars:

1st. In the title. The Certificate of Incorporation required by the statute sets forth, that the name by which the Church or Congregation be known in law, should be, "The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen," &c.

Whereas, the certificate in this case reads, "The Wardens and Vestrymen," omitting "The Rector" and the word "Church."

2d. In that, there is no certificate of the Clerk of the County, bearing seal, attached to the instrument, or otherwise to show that the Certificate of Incorporation has been duly recorded, as the statute requires. In

application of this Church, signed by the Rector and Clerk of the vestry, there is a declaration that the Certificate of Incorporation "was duly recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County on the _____ day of _____ month and year, in Liber _____ and page _____. Your Committee constrained, therefore, to report adverse to the admission of St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma, and recommend the return of the papers for correction.

Your Committee would also respectfully suggest that the Secretary be requested to print in the Journal, the form of Certificate of Incorporation of Churches, and the provisions of the statute relating thereto, for the information of the Diocese on this subject in the future.

By order of the Committee,

DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*

BROOKLYN, May 17th, 1870.

Whereupon, on motion, the recommendation of the Committee adverse to the admission of St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma, into union with the Convention, was approved, and the papers ordered to be returned for correction.

Mr. KING, from the Special Committee on Credentials, reported irregularities in the certificate of the Lay Delegates from St. Thomas' Church, Ravenswood, but moved that the delegation be admitted, which was lost.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, the delegates from _____ Parish were admitted to seats in this Convention by courtesy.

The Treasurer of the Convention announced that he was prepared to pay the mileage due several of the Clergy, during the sitting of the Convention or the recess.

The Treasurer of the Convention will also act as Treasurer

of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, during the absence of Mr. Mulligan, and will be pleased to receive contributions to the fund.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT announced the following

Inspectors of Election.

Standing Committee : *For the Clerical Vote*—The Rev. G. G. HERBURN, Mr. WM. FLOYD JONES. *For the Lay Vote*—The Rev. WM. SCHOUL JR., Mr. DAVID LONGWORTH.

Deputies to the General Convention : *For the Clerical Vote*—The Rev. WM. T. FITCH, Mr. JOHN T. WALKER. *For the Lay Vote*—The Rev. JOHN W. BUCKMASTER, Mr. RICHARD DEMILL.

Deputies to the Federate Council : *For the Clerical Vote*—The Rev. H. E. HOVEY, Mr. FRANKLIN BELL. *For the Lay Vote*—The Rev. W. H. NEILSON, Jr., Mr. S. D. C. VAN BOKKELEN.

Missionary Committee ; *For the Clerical Vote*—The Rev. HENRY WALBRIDGE, D.D., Dr. WALKER. *For the Lay Vote*—The Rev. C. ELLSWORTH, Mr. BUXTON.

Trustees of General Theological Seminary : *For the Clerical Vote*—The Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON, Mr. ARTHUR SINCLAIR. *For the Lay Vote*—The Rev. MR. PARTRIDGE, Major MAYNADIER.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, then delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Rev. Dr. HALL, from the Standing Committee of the Diocese, presented and read the following

Report

OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Long Island respectfully report the following meetings and official acts :

October 11, 1869. The Rev. Dr. Hall was chosen President, and Rev. Dr. Drowne, Secretary. Stated meetings were directed to be held on Mondays of the Ember Weeks.

Nov. 15. The consent of the Committee was given to the consecration of the Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, as Missionary Bishop for the Territory of Arkansas.

Dec. 13. The proper certificate on behalf of John W. Leek, applying to be admitted a candidate for Holy Orders was signed.

March 7, 1870. The proper certificate on behalf of John H. Prescott, applying to be admitted a candidate for Holy Orders, the proper certificate on behalf of Oliver S. Taylor, applying to be admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, and of Rev. Reeve Hobbie, Rev. Henry Emerson Lovey and Rev. Samuel A. McNulty, applying to be admitted to the Holy Order of Priests, were signed.

April 4. The proper certificate on behalf of John Jephtha Anten Morgan and Dominick M. McCaffery, applying to be admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, were signed. The printing bills were approved and ordered to be paid.

May 17. Proper certificates on behalf of Mr. Henry Betts Cornwell and John Wickliffe Leek, applying to be admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, and Rev. Henry A. Dows and Charles H. Tucker, applying to be admitted to the Holy Order of Priests, were signed.

For the Committee,

CHARLES H. HALL, *President.*

BROOKLYN, *May 18th, 1870.*

The Convention then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The Inspectors of the Votes for the Standing Committee of the Diocese presented their Reports :

Whereupon, the following persons were declared duly elected, by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

The Standing Committee of the Diocese.

CLERGY :

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D.,
The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.,
The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK,
The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH, D.D.

LAITY :

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
The Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT,
Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN,
Mr. WILLIAM J. COGSWELL.

The Inspectors of the Votes for the Missionary Committee presented their Reports :

Whereupon, the following persons were declared to be duly elected, by the concurrent votes of the Clergy and Laity, to be

The Missionary Committee.

CLERGY :

The Rev. D. V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.,
The Rev. CHARLES W. HOMER,
The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK,
The Rev. J. CARPENTER SMITH, D.D.,
The Rev. CALEB B. ELLSWORTH.

LAITY :

Mr. JOSEPH W. GREENE,
Mr. JOHN HALSEY,
Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE,
Mr. WILLIAM MULLIGAN,
The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW.

The Inspectors of the Votes for one Clerical Deputy to the General Convention reported that there was no election, through the non-concurrence of the two Orders :

Whereupon, it was ordered that the election be postponed until the next Convention.

The Inspectors of the Votes for one Clerical Deputy to the Federate Council, to fill an existing vacancy, reported that the Clergy and Laity had not concurred :

Whereupon, on motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the following person was declared to be elected

Deputy to the Federate Council.

The Rev. ROBERT T. PEARSON.

The Inspectors of the Votes for one Clerical Trustee of the General Theological Seminary presented their Reports :

Whereupon, it was declared that the following person was duly elected

Trustee of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen was read by the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK, Chairman, as follows:

Report

THE TRUSTEES OF THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

The Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergy leave to report, that in obedience to the order taken at the last Convention, they prepared and presented to the Legislature of the State of New York, at its recent session, an act of incorporation, which received affirmative action of that body, and became a law on the 25th of March ult. This act gives to the Trustees full powers, with liberty to hold real and personal estate, with income not exceeding \$20,000 per annum.

Under the provisions of this statute the Trustees have organized and held two sessions, and voted several appropriations to aged and infirm clergy. Meantime arrangements have been made with the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy in the Diocese of New York, for an equal transfer of good bonds and mortgages to the extent of \$15,000, with payment of interest on that sum from January 1st, ult., this amount having been awarded to the Diocese of Long Island by the Diocese of New York as the proper share due the former in the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund of the undivided Diocese of New York.

The Trustees further report that they have received contributions from twenty-one parishes, which, with accruing interest, amount to the sum of \$767.07. They have disbursed \$453.65, and have now cash on hand \$313.42. While it is very gratifying to report that so many parishes have contributed to this noble object, still we have to regret that twenty-eight parishes have as yet done nothing. It seems very important that every parish in the Diocese should now make annual contributions to this fund, not only because they are equally entitled to claim its assistance in behalf of their rectors, temporarily disabled or worn out in the service of the Master, but furthermore, every dollar of surplus we can now accumulate is an investment for the future, the accruing interest of which will each year be added to the Fund, and so hasten the day when annual con-

tributions from the parishes will be no longer necessary. Appended to this Report is a copy of the Act of Incorporation and the Report of the Treasurer of the Fund. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. N. LITTLEJOHN,
NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,
N. DENISON MORGAN,
JOHN A. KING,
ALEX. V. BLAKE.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

An Act to incorporate the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Long Island.

Passed March 25th, 1870.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck and N. Denison Morgan, both of the city of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings, and John A. King, of the town of Jamaica, in the county of Queens, and their successors duly elected and appointed in the manner hereinafter prescribed, and the Bishop of the Diocese as hereinafter provided, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of "The Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Long Island," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and be capable of taking and holding by gift, grant or devise, subject to all the provisions of law relating to devises and bequests by last will and testament, real or personal estate, or both, for the purposes of said corporation, provided the yearly value or income of the same shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars. The Bishop, for the time being, of the said Church in said Diocese, who shall be in the full and actual exercise of all the duties appertaining to his office, shall, by virtue thereof, be one of the Trustees of the said Fund, and the Treasurer of the Convention of said Church in said Diocese, for the time being, shall also be one of said Trustees, in addition to the three Trustees so to be elected and appointed as aforesaid.

SECTION 2. The objects of the said corporation shall be the management and care of the fund now provided, together with that which may hereafter be contributed or acquired, and any accumulation accruing from the investment thereof for the relief of aged and infirm Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Long Island, and

appropriation of the same to that purpose, according to the directions to from time to time given by the Convention of said Church in said case.

SECTION 3. The said Trustees, so to be elected and appointed, shall be chosen annually—one from the Clerical and two from the Lay members of said Church in said Diocese. They shall hold their office during the pleasure of the said Convention; and all vacancies occurring in the number of Trustees shall from time to time be filled by said Convention, in such manner as the said Convention shall direct. The said Trustees shall appoint from their number a chairman and secretary. No act of said Trustees shall be valid unless authorized by a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of said Trustees by a majority of the same, recorded by the secretary in a book to be kept as a record of their proceedings, which book shall be open to the inspection of said Convention.

SECTION 4. A statement of the proceedings of the said Trustees hereby incorporated, exhibiting the condition of the fund intrusted to their charge, together with their receipts and disbursements, shall be reported at each annual Convention of said Diocese.

SECTION 5. The said Trustees shall be bound to conform to any instructions that may from time to time be given them by the said Convention touching the management of the said fund and the disposition of the same, provided that such instructions shall be in writing and shall be entered on the journal of the Convention.

SECTION 6. The Treasurer of the said Convention for the time being shall, by virtue of his office, be the treasurer of the said fund, and shall have the custody of all the property of which the said fund shall be composed, and shall hold the same, subject to such directions as the said Trustees shall from time to time give in relation thereto; *Provided, however,* that the said Convention may at any time make provision for the appointment and substitution of any other person as treasurer of said fund, who shall hold his office during the pleasure of the said Convention, and to whom all the provisions in this section contained shall apply, in lieu and stead of the treasurer of said Convention.

SECTION 7. In case the said Diocese shall hereafter be divided into two or more Dioceses, it shall be lawful for the said Convention to make such disposition of the said fund, in reference to such division, as they may deem just and reasonable; and from and after such division, this act and the provisions herein contained shall apply exclusively to the Diocese

within which the city of Brooklyn shall be located ; and whenever and so often as any Diocese, including the said city within its limits, shall be divided, this act and the provisions herein contained shall, upon such division, be deemed to apply exclusively to the separate Diocese, including the said city as aforesaid.

SECTION 8. The provisions of title three of the eighteenth chapter of the first part of the revised statutes shall apply to the corporation hereby created, so far as the same are applicable and have not been repealed.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect immediately.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

Diocese of Long Island in account with Alexander V. Blake, Treasurer.

1869.	Dr.				
Nov. 9.	Paid for Account Book.....				90
Dec. 30.	“ Rev. ———, per order of Bishop.....				\$75 00
1870.					
Jan. 3.	“ do. do. do.				75 00
4.	“ do. do. do.				75 00
Apr'l 1.	“ do. do. do.				75 00
4.	“ do. do. do.				75 00
19.	“ for certified copy Act of Incorporation.....				2 75
29.	“ Rev. ———, per order of Bishop.....				75 00
May 17.	Cash on hand to new account.....				1,313 42
					<hr/>
					\$1,767 07

1869.	Cr.				
Nov. 9.	Received from St. Saviour's Ch.,	Maspeth.....			\$29 75
19.	“ “ Grace “	Brooklyn Heights..			146 04
	“ “ Holy Trinity “	Brooklyn.....			160 75
20.	“ “ Ch. of Reformation “	.....			38 00
22.	“ “ “ “ Redeemer,	Astoria.....			37 00
	“ “ St. George's “	Flushing			104 60
	“ “ Town Farm Miss'n “	.....			3 80
	“ “ St. John's Church,	Brooklyn.....			28 05
	“ “ St. Paul's “ “	.....			31 61
23.	“ “ St. Paul's Chapel,	College Point.....			7 70
	“ “ Zion Church,	Little Neck.....			40 49

v. 24.	Received from St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn.....	196 72
	“ “ Trinity “ East New York....	9 00
	“ “ St. Mark's “ Islip.....	5 00
	“ “ St. Matthew's “ Brooklyn.....	8 25
25.	“ “ St. Thomas' “ Ravenswood.....	10 65
29.	“ “ St. James' “ Newtown.....	46 30
30.	“ “ Grace “ Williamsburgh	21 46
c. 2.	“ “ Ch. of Redeemer, Brooklyn.....	26 65
3.	“ “ St. Mary's Church, “	56 96
	“ “ St. Andrew's “ “	10 00
	“ “ St. John's “ Long Island City ..	14 88
9.	“ “ Grace “ So. Oyster Bay....	28 00
	“ “ St. James' “ Smithtown.....	3 00
11.	“ “ Messiah “ Brooklyn.....	38 30
	“ “ Grace “ Jamaica	44 63
14.	“ “ St. Peter's “ Brooklyn.....	57 94
18.	“ “ Grace “ Whitestone.....	15 00
23.	“ “ St. George's “ Astoria	118 82
29.	“ “ Caroline “ Brookhaven	2 00
	“ “ St. Paul's “ Williamsburgh....	5 00
30.	“ “ St. Luke's “ Brooklyn.....	22 99
870.		
n. 3.	“ “ St. John's “ Huntington.....	16 50
6.	“ “ Christ “ Brooklyn.....	190 63
31.	“ “ Our Saviour's “	28 41
b. 4.	“ “ Trinity “ Rockaway.....	13 43
p'l 6.	“ “ St. Paul's “ Flatbush.....	29 82
27.	“ “ Christ “ Williamsburgh....	23 10
lay 11.	“ “ St. Mark's “ “	20 00
16.	“ “ Interest on \$1,000 loaned on call.....	32 22
14.	“ “ St. Paul's Church, Glen Cove.....	24 62
16.	“ “ Emmanuel “ Brooklyn.....	19 00

\$1,767 07

870.

ay 17. Balance brought down—cash on hand.....\$1,313 42

RECAPITULATION.

Received from 41 Churches.....	\$1,734 85
“ “ Interest.....	32 22

Paid on order of Bishop.....	\$450 00	
“ for Stationery.....	90	
“ “ certified copy of Act.....	2 75	
Cash on hand....	1,313 42	
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	\$1,767 07	\$1,767 07
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E.E. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Examined with vouchers, and found correct.

S. L. HUSTED,

SAMUEL E. HOWARD,

Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to appoint, in accordance with the Canon, one Clerical and two Lay Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, to act with the Bishop and the Treasurer of the Diocese. Whereupon, the following were declared to be the

Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

The Right Rev. A. N. LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,

The Rev. N. H. SCHENCK, D.D.

Mr. JOHN A. KING,

Mr. N. DENISON MORGAN,

Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

The Report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, was presented and read by Mr. PIERREPONT:

Report

ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

As reported at the last Convention, this Diocese is entitled to a representation by nineteen Trustees in the General Theological Seminary. These Trustees are appointed by the General Convention, on the nomination of the Diocesan Convention.

Of the nineteen Trustees who were nominated by our last Convention, the office of Alexander Burgess, D.D., has become vacant, in consequence of his removal from the Diocese.

Your Committee have been informed that the income of the Seminary,

past year, has been sufficient to meet its expenses, and pay moderate salaries to four of its Professors, and the rent of a house for Dr. John M. Forbes, D.D., who has been installed as Permanent Dean. It was stated in the last Report of the Trustees, that some large assessments for paving would have caused a large deficiency. This has been avoided by an ordinance for this paving having been rescinded by the Corporation of the City.

Some of the vacant lots of the Seminary have been leased the past year, at a large advance in ground rent. Forty-eight vacant lots remain to be leased, reserving twenty-four for the use of the Seminary buildings. These forty-eight lots at present rates would yield, when rented, \$20,000, which added to the present income of nearly \$20,000, would be an adequateowment for the institution. In the meantime a small contribution from each church would supply the present needful support.

A Resolution was passed by this Convention at its last meeting, recommending the Rectors of the Parishes in this Diocese to take a collection in aid of the expenses of the Seminary. This recommendation was responded to by only one Church in Brooklyn, and one in Suffolk County.

At a meeting of the Trustees, in January, it was decided that it would be legal and expedient to remove the Seminary from the City of New York, and it was referred to the Standing Committee to receive offers of sites. It is understood that several sites have been offered in Westchester County, most of them at very high prices, and some as gifts, but no decision has been made by the Standing Committee.

At the meeting of the Trustees, several prominent members warmly opposed the removal, as unnecessary, and injurious to the interests of the Seminary.

Our Committee would offer for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is hereby recommended by the Convention of this Diocese, that the Rectors and officiating Ministers in charge of Parishes in this Diocese, make, during the ensuing Conventional year, a collection in aid of the current expenses of the General Theological Seminary.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE,
THOMAS MALLABY,
HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
JOHN A. KING,
WILLIAM MULLIGAN,
Committee.

BROOKLYN, May 18th, 1870.

On motion, the Resolution recommended in the Report was adopted.

On motion of the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, it was

Resolved, That the Rules of Order be referred to the Committee on Canons for revision, where they may be found to conflict with the Canons of the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. MOORE, it was

Resolved, That in future Parochial Reports, it shall be stated whether the Church and other buildings belonging to the Parish are insured, and if so, in what proportion to their real value.

The Report of the Committee on the Charitable and other Funds of the late undivided Diocese of New York, was then read by Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN :

Report

OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARITABLE AND OTHER FUNDS OF THE LATE UNDIVIDED DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

At the Primary Convention of this Diocese, the following Resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by this Convention, to confer with a similar Committee of the Diocese of New York, upon the interests of the two Dioceses, and that the said Committee shall also ascertain what interest this Diocese may have in the funds of the late undivided Diocese of New York.

The Committee then appointed was continued at the next session of the Convention, with the exception of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, who had removed from the Diocese. From the Journal of the last Convention of the Diocese of New York, it appears that the Secretary of this Convention communicated a copy of the above resolution, and that a Committee of Conference was appointed on the part of the Diocese of New York, as follows :

Resolved, That a Committee of Seven be appointed to confer with the Committee appointed on the part of the Diocese of Long Island, and to report to this Convention.

The Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., Rev. Geo. H. Houghton, D.D., Rev. Sam'l Hollingworth, D.D., Rev. J. Cotton Smith, D.D., Hon. Edward Haight, Edmund Jones, Esq., and Lloyd W. Wells, Esq., were appointed this Committee.

At a later period of the New York Convention, the Report of this Committee to the last Convention was communicated by the Secretary of this

onvention, and was, on motion, referred to the Committee of Seven ready appointed. The New York Convention subsequently adopted a report of its Special Committee on the Apportionment of Charitable funds, appointed at the Convention of 1868, transferring to this Diocese, for the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$15,000, and for the Parochial Fund, \$1,000, being all the charitable funds under the control of the Convention, as reported by the Committee. It was also

Resolved, That \$1,000 of the Permanent Missionary Fund be given to Long Island, provided that such fund is legally available to such disposal, and such payment be consistent with the terms on which the funds are held by the Convention of the Diocese of New York.

This action appears to dispose of all the funds of the late undivided Diocese of New York, in which this Diocese has any legal or equitable interest, with the exception of the Episcopal Fund. At a still later period of the Convention, the Bishop suggested that an appropriation from his fund be made of ten thousand dollars, to the Diocese of Long Island, and ten thousand dollars to the Diocese of Albany, whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Francis Vinton, D.D., it was

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention the Episcopal Fund of this Diocese is solemnly and inalienably pledged to the support of the Episcopate of New York, and may not be diverted to the maintenance of the Episcopate of Long Island or the Episcopate of Albany.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund be and hereby are directed to consolidate into one the accumulating and disposable funds, and to pay to the Bishop of New York the income of such fund so consolidated.

Your Committee would respectfully state that their only knowledge of the appointment of a Committee of Conference on the part of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, is derived from the Journal of said Convention, no official notification of such appointment having been sent to their Chairman, nor, as far as they are informed, to any officer of the Convention of this Diocese. They cannot conceal their surprise that, after appointing the Committee of Conference as stated, and without any opportunity for such conference, the claims of the New Dioceses upon the Episcopal Fund should have been so summarily disposed of. It was well understood that the Diocese of Long Island considered that it had some claim in reference to said fund, for at the Convention held in 1868, and before the division had been finally consummated, a memorial was presented by Rev. J. A. Paddock, on behalf of the "Committee of Twenty, appointed to take measures for the raising of a fund for the endowment of the Episcopate in the proposed new Diocese," stating that that Committee, on the 30th of September, 1868, adopted the following Preamble and Resolution :

Whereas, The Convention of the Diocese of New York did, A. D. 1866, appoint a Committee to inquire of the Clergy and Vestries on Long Island, whether in their judgment a certain division of the Diocese was desirable, and said Committee having reported, A. D. 1867, that a large majority of the representatives of the Churches did believe that division desirable, the Convention did then enact, "That a new Diocese be erected in the present Diocese of New York, to consist of the Counties of Kings, Queens and Suffolk."

Resolved, That this Committee, appointed at a meeting of Clergy and Laity on Long Island, to take measures for the raising of a fund for the support of the Episcopate, feel that it is due to the Churches which they represent, and to the Diocese of New York, to declare to the Convention now assembled, that in the event of the proposed division being consummated, the Churches on Long Island are not to be understood as relinquishing any claim which they may have in law and equity, on a portion of the Episcopal Fund of the present Diocese of New York, or of the income thereof.

The undersigned therefore asks that the Convention may take such action with reference to the Episcopal Fund as may be deemed just and right.

(Signed)

J. A. PADDOCK.

The action which was taken is recorded in the Journal of that year as follows: "The Rev. J. A. Paddock presented a memorial, which was ordered to be printed in an appendix."

Your Committee, in considering this subject, have felt deeply impressed with the justice of the claims of the Dioceses of Long Island and Albany for an equitable division of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York, as it existed before the division. The Report of the Committee of Fifteen, which recommended the division of the Diocese, contains the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee, acting under suitable legal advice, that no part of the existing Episcopal Fund of the Diocese can be used for the endowment of the Episcopate in the new Diocese proposed to be erected.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the legal impediments to any such use of the fund are insuperable, the Committee recommend to the Convention to declare, by resolution, the moral and equitable right of the proposed new Dioceses to liberal assistance from the Diocese of New York, in the endowment of their Episcopates.

The conclusions of the Committee, in which the Delegates from Long Island and Albany concurred, seem to be entirely predicated upon the legal difficulties which they were advised were insuperable, as applicable to most of the fund. The Report presented by Judge Hoffman to the Convention in 1863, says: "It is evident that no part of the sum of \$65,000 can be taken from its appropriation to the support of the Episcopate in the Diocese of which the City of New York shall form a part, without the assent of Trinity Church. It is evident that the income of \$90,000 has

been solemnly pledged by the Convention to the support of such Episcopate, and such pledge can only be redeemed by retaining the whole sum of \$90,000, or making up any amount which may be temporarily withdrawn, and it seems clear that there is nothing which the Convention can dispose of, without a breach of faith, except the sum of \$1,859.69." This surplus of \$1,859.69 had increased at the time the Committee of Fifteen reported to \$10,816.36, but in the judgment of the Committee, the proportion of the sum to be thus divided, provided the proper legislation could be obtained, was too small "far less than the value of the moral and equitable claims of these new Dioceses, established without disturbing the present act of incorporation, and the existing condition of the fund," "to be deemed sufficient justification for submitting the present act of incorporation to the Legislature for amendment."

In their examination of this subject, the Committee are unable to find anything which disposes of the moral, equitable or legal right of the Dioceses of Albany and Long Island, to a proper division of the fund which belonged to the Diocese of New York when they constituted a part of it, and to which they have, year after year, for many years contributed. According to the opinion of Judge Hoffman, already quoted, the sum of \$65,000 could not be touched "without the assent of Trinity Church," nor the sum of \$90,000 "without replacing any portion temporarily withdrawn," but there does not appear to be any restriction upon the surplus over \$90,000, unless an amendment of the act incorporating the Trustees might be required, an amendment which could doubtless be readily obtained. Until the action of the Convention of New York in 1869, merging the funds, there were two distinct funds, one known as the Disposable Fund, amounting to \$67,500, being the sum left after the payment of \$35,000, in 1838, towards the support of the Episcopate in Western New York, and the other as the Accumulating Fund, originated at that time for the purpose of bringing the fund up again to \$100,000, and which has been entirely the growth and accumulation of the contributions taken annually in the Churches of the Diocese. Until the adoption of the Resolution in 1869, authorizing the payment of the interest, not a dollar has been taken from this fund for the support of the Bishop, and its amount increased from interest alone has been quite large.

It amounted at that time to..	\$41,227	83
With the Disposable Fund...	67,500 00	\$108,727 83
Excess of \$65,000.....	43,727	83
Excess of \$90,000.....	18,727	83

From the statements already referred to in connection with the report of the Committee of Fifteen, it will be observed that the right of the new Dioceses to the surplus over \$90,000, is not denied, but it is urged that

legislative sanction would be required, and the submission of the act for that purpose was desirable to be avoided. They distinctly declare our "moral and equitable right to liberal assistance in the endowment" of our Episcopate, but the method in which that liberal assistance may be obtained, has not yet been pointed out. The \$1,859.69 referred to by Judge Hoffman, in 1863, as the surplus over \$90,000, amounted in 1869 to \$18,727.83, and would to-day have been quite \$20,000, had not the Convention of New York then ordered its income to be paid to its Bishop; a sum it will be seen sufficient to pay the amounts which the Bishop recommended should be appropriated to the Dioceses of Albany and Long Island, but which the Convention refused to sanction. It is understood that the Diocese of Albany applied to the Legislature recently in session for an act designed to afford them some relief, but with what success your Committee are not informed. The Committee have thus endeavored to present the facts in the case for the information of the Convention. To them the right of the new Diocese to some division of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York seems entirely clear. The action of the last Convention of that Diocese, in voting that said fund was "solemnly and inalienably pledged to the support of the Episcopate of New York, and could not be diverted to the support of the Episcopate of Long Island, or the Episcopate of Albany," is a step in advance of any former position, and seems designed as a final disposition of the claim, especially as a Committee of Conference had been appointed, had not reported, and so far as we can learn, has never been discharged.

In concluding this report, the Committee desire to have it distinctly understood that nothing herein set forth is to be construed into the presentation of a definite claim on the one hand, or on the other the limitation of the moral, equitable or legal rights of the Diocese of Long Island to any portion or division of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York, in excess of the sum of \$65,000.

The Committee would recommend that a copy of this Report be printed, and transmitted by the Secretary to the New York Diocesan Convention, to meet in September next, and that a Committee be appointed with powers of conference with either of the Dioceses interested, that the necessary measures to protect the interests of this Diocese may be matured, and presented to the next Convention for such adjustment or action as may be required.

NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,
ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK,
THOS. MALLABY,
HENRY E. PIERREPONT,
CHAS. R. MARVIN,
J. W. HUNTER,

BROOKLYN, May 18th, 1870.

Committee.

On motion, the recommendation contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. JOHN A. KING, it was

Resolved, That the Special Committee of this Convention, for conference with the Diocese of New York respecting the Episcopal Fund, be continued for the ensuing year, and are hereby desired to follow up the equitable claims which the Diocese of Long Island has upon that Diocese for their portion of the Episcopal Fund.

The Rev. Dr. DILLER, from the Committee on the Diocesan Fund, presented and read the following

Report

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND.

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund respectfully report :

That they had a balance from last year of.....	\$4 37	
Received from 44 Parishes.....	1,269 50	\$1,273 87
There have been paid for Diocesan expenses.....		957 10
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Balance on hand.....		\$316 77

By a resolution of the last Convention, thereafter only one per cent. was to be assessed on the Rector's salary, and those paying the old rate were to be allowed the difference.

This allowance will be	\$282 75	
Amount reserved for General Convention.....	150 00	\$432 75
Deduct cash on hand.....		316 77
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Amount of deficiency		\$115 98

Eight Parishes have not paid their assessments for the Diocesan Fund for the Primary Convention, and from eighteen Parishes nothing has been received for the second.

The Committee recommend the following resolutions to the Convention for adoption :

Resolved, That there be paid to the Clergy attending this Convention, who reside twenty miles and more from the place of meeting, and whose Parishes contributed to the Fund, seven cents per mile for every mile of the distance from their respective Parishes.

Resolved, That the Rectors of Parishes be requested to forward to the Treasurer of the Diocese the amount of their assessment, within sixty days from the

meeting of the Convention, and also the assessments for the primary and second Conventions, where they have not been paid.

J. W. DILLER, D.D.,
AUG. E. MASTERS,
ALEX. V. BLAKE,

BROOKLYN, May 18, 1870.

Committee on Diocesan Fund.

On motion, the Resolutions recommended in the Report were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK called the attention of the Convention to a paragraph on page 45 of the Journal, and offered the following Preamble and Resolution, which were adopted

Whereas, At the last Convention a report was received from the Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, the Rev. George F. Seymour, D.D., which was read by the Secretary and entered on the Journal, p. 44; and

Whereas, No response was then made to this Report, required by Canon in the undivided Diocese; therefore

Resolved, That this Convention acknowledge the receipt of said Report, invite hereafter regular Annual Reports from the venerable Society, express their sense of the importance of the provisions and trust thus held, hope for a continuance of its benefactions, and recommend to the Clergy and Parishes of this Diocese to make such annual contributions to the funds of the Society as in their discretion and ability they may deem best.

The Convention took a recess for thirty minutes.

On reassembling, the BISHOP in the chair,

Mr. JOSEPH F. BRYDGES offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention disapprove of recognizing the Federate Council in any way until such time as it can be shown that the welfare and prosperity of this Diocese will be promoted by jointly acting with said Council.

On motion, the consideration of this Resolution was deferred until the Committee on Canons report.

The Report of the Committee on the Salary of the Bishop was presented and read by Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN:

Report

THE COMMITTEE ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.

The Committee on the Salary of the Bishop would respectfully report : in accordance with the resolution adopted by the last Convention, proceeded, immediately after its adjournment, to assess upon the Parishes of the Diocese such a sum as, with the income from the Episcopal Fund, would be sufficient to provide the amount pledged by the Convention to the Bishop for the ensuing year, apportioning such sum according to the best information they could obtain.

From the Treasurer's Report it will be seen, that since the last Convention has been paid by 38 Churches on account of such assessments, those authorized by the Primary Convention, \$1,974.54 ; and still due (on the 12th inst.) \$1,550.54. These assessments being one-half on first of January and one-half on first July, the Committee do not feel called upon to report any Parishes as delinquent, but earnestly express the hope that the amount still due may be paid, that the obligations of the Diocese to the Bishop may be kept. The following statement will show how important it is that each Parish responds for its proper apportionment :

On hand, 12th May, 1870.....	\$515 83
And income of Episcopal Fund due in the month.....	1,830 67
Assessments as stated above, which should be paid on 1st July.....	1,550 54—\$3,897 04
Months' salary, from June to December inclusive, to be paid the Bishop.....	3,500 00
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If everything is paid.....	\$397 04

More than one month's salary, to commence the next year.

The Committee would recommend the adoption of the following Resolution to make provision for the salary due in 1871 :

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to make an equitable apportionment among the Parishes of this Diocese of a sum which, with the income of the Episcopal Fund, will meet the amount pledged by Convention for payment to the Bishop for the year 1871, and that the sum be payable, half on the first of January and half on the first of July in said year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. V. M. JOHNSON,
WM. H. MOORE,
CHAS. R. MARVIN,
ALEX. V. BLAKE,
H. P. MORGAN,

The Treasurer's Report of the Fund for Bishop's Salary
as follows :

The Diocese of Long Island, in account with Alexander V. Blair,
Treasurer.

1869.	Dr.			
Sept. 28.	Balance brought down due Treasurer.....			\$217 02
Oct. 2.	Paid Bishop Littlejohn on account, September.....			250 00
Nov. 4.	" do. do. balance, do.			250 00
	" do. do. for October			500 00
	" do. do. for interest on above.....			7 30
1.	" do. do. " November.....			500 00
30.	" do. do. " December.....			500 00
Dec. 31.	" do. do. " January.....			500 00
1870.				
Jan. 31.	" do. do. " February.....			500 00
Feb. 28.	" do. do. " March.....			500 00
Ap'l 1.	" do. do. " April.....			500 00
30.	" do. do. " May			500 00
May 17.	Cash on hand to new account			831 25
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				<u>\$5,555 57</u>

1869.	Cr.			
Sept. 28.	Received from Church of Redeemer, Astoria			\$25 00
Oct. 1.	" " St. Matthew's Church, Brooklyn.....			7 00
	" " St. Paul's " Glen Cove....			24 00
	" " St. John's Church, Cold Spring Harbor			70 00
	" " Christ Church, Bay Ridge.....			52 50
	" " St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn.....			55 00
	" " Trinity " Rockaway			16 00
29.	" " John D. Jones, Tr. of Episcopal Fund.			546 77
	" " St. John's Church, Fort Hamilton.			15 00
Nov. 1.	" " John D. Jones, Tr. of Episcopal Fund.			777 78
3.	" " St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn.....			35 00
10.	" " Holy Trinity " "			140 00
15.	" " Messiah " "			140 00
16.	" " Emmanuel " "			140 00
22.	" " Church of Redeemer, Astoria			22 50
24.	" " Christ Church, Sag Harbor ...			14 00
29.	" " St. Mark's " Williamsburgh.			10 00
Dec. 4.	" " St. Mark's " Islip.....			17 00

ec. 13.	Received from Zion Church,	Little Neck...	17 50
21.	" " Christ "	Bay Ridge....	52 50
22.	" " Church of Mediator,	Brooklyn.....	10 00
29.	" " Caroline Church,	Brookhaven ...	4 25
30.	" " Grace "	S. Oyster Bay.	17 00
31.	" " St. James' "	Newtown.....	30 00
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n. 3.	" " St. John's "	Huntington...	10 00
4.	" " Christ "	Brooklyn.....	35 00
7.	" " St. Matthew's "	"	10 00
8.	" " St. Saviour's "	Maspeth.....	25 00
20.	" " St. John's "	L'g Island City.	9 00
28.	" " St. James' "	Brooklyn.....	140 00
31.	" " Grace "	B'klyn Heights.	141 25
	" " Messiah "	Brooklyn.....	70 00
b. 1.	" " Calvary "	Williamsburgh.	35 00
7.	" " St. Paul's "	Brooklyn.....	17 50
9.	" " St. George's "	Astoria	35 00
10.	" " St. Barnabas' "	Brooklyn.....	5 00
16.	" " Ch. of Reformation,	"	25 00
24.	" " Caroline Church,	Brookhaven...	2 75
r. 1.	" " St. Ann's "	Brooklyn.....	87 50
	" " St. John's "	L'g Island City.	11 83
11.	" " St. Peter's "	Brooklyn.....	70 00
21.	" " St. George's "	Flushing.....	105 00
14.	" " St. Mary's "	Brooklyn.....	25 46
	" " St. Paul's "	Patchogue....	2 50
	" " St. Barnabas' Chapel,	Sayville	2 50
	" " John D. Jones, Tr. of Episcopal Fund.		712 56
19.	" " St. Mark's Church,	Williamsburgh.	90 00
21.	" " Christ "	Sag Harbor...	7 00
26.	" " John D. Jones, Tr. of Episcopal Fund.		350 00
27.	" " St. Andrew's Church,	Brooklyn.....	35 00
30.	" " Trinity "	East New York	28 00
ay 3.	" " John D. Jones, Tr. of Episcopal Fund.		878 50
9.	" " Church of Redeemer,	Brooklyn.....	35 00
14.	" " St. Paul's Church,	Glen Cove....	25 38
	" " Trinity "	Rockaway....	15 00
	" " Grace "	Whitestone...	25 00
	" " St. Paul's "	Flatbush	68 00
16.	" " St. Mary's "	Brooklyn.....	44 54
	" " Emmanuel "	"	105 00

May 16. Received from All Saints' Church,	Brooklyn.....	\$7 50
" " Grace "	Williamsburgh.	25 00

\$5,555 57

May 17. To balance brought down, cash on hand \$831 25

RECAPITULATION.

Received from Treasurer of Episcopal Fund.....\$3,265 61

 " " 48 Churches.....2,289 96

\$5,555 57

Balance due Treasurer, September 28, 1869.....\$217 02

Paid Bishop.....4,500 00

 " Interest7 30

Cash on hand, May 17, 1870.831 25

\$5,555 57

E.E. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

Examined with vouchers, and found correct.

S. L. HUSTED,

SAMUEL E. HOWARD,

Committee on Treasurer's Accounts.

The Resolution recommended by the Committee on the Salary of the Bishop was adopted.

The PRESIDENT called the Rev. Dr. SCHENCK to the Chair.

The hour having arrived for the special order of the day, being the Report of the Committee on Canons, upon the Federate Council, by request, the Resolution contained in the Report was permitted to be withdrawn, and, on motion, the Report ordered to be printed.

The Rev. Dr. HALL, on behalf of the Committee on Canons, presented a substitute for Canon 2, Section IX, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. HALL also presented a new Canon, entitled Canon 5, Art. I., Of the Registrar and Historiographer, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on Canons, through the Hon. D. R. FLOYD JONES, recommended the following changes in the Rules of order:

Rule I., Sect. 3, relating to a constitutional quorum, to read "fifteen clergymen and fifteen Delegations," instead of "thirty."

Sect. 4, to be stricken out.

Sect. 5. Instead of the word "appoint," substitute "nominate."

Rule IV. After the words "had not been reached," add, "and finished."

Rule V. At the end, insert the word "Presbyters," instead of "Clergy."

On motion, the foregoing changes were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. SCHENCK gave notice of a proposed change in Rule VIII. of the Rules of Order, so as to read "from 10 A. M. to 12½ P. M., and from 1½ P. M. to 5 P. M."

The Rev. Dr. HALL offered a Canon, entitled—*Of Differences between Ministers and Congregations*, to be known as Canon 8, of Article II., which, on motion, was adopted.

The Convention then took a recess until seven o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY EVENING, *half-past seven o'clock.*

The Convention re-assembled, the Right Rev. the PRESIDENT in the Chair.

The Rev. Dr. HALL, from the Standing Committee on Christian Education, presented and read the following

Report

OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Standing Committee on Christian Education, which was appointed by the last Diocesan Convention, would respectfully report:

That at their first meeting they organized by appointing the Rev. C. H. Hall, D.D., Chairman, and the Rev. T. G. Valpy, Head Master of Trinity School, Secretary. The Committee has been called together, from time to time, and deliberated, with a watchful care, the immediate practical issues submitted to them. There seemed to be no call for any public action on their part, but rather the careful consideration of the prin-

ciples by which they propose to be guided in giving advice, and drawing gradually to an acknowledged course of instruction, those who are employed in the work of education. The Committee have received a proposal to assume the responsibility of one Church School, in successful operation. The proposal was generously made, but the Committee were of opinion that they were not in a condition to assume financial cares, not being empowered to collect funds whereby to discharge them, and declined the offer. Another proposition to initiate a new school in the City of Brooklyn they declined, believing that they were not at liberty to use any influence committed to them to the disturbance and possibly detriment of schools undertaken in full faith of the patronage of the Church, before their own appointment. On a general review of the condition of the Church Schools, as far as known to them, it seemed evident to the Committee that, while they were as yet only tentative experiments on the part of their projectors, and some of them steps in the right direction, yet, that the Committee could not reasonably advise them to a further advance, until either the patronage of the parents in our Church should of itself indicate to them the propriety of progress, or the creation of some endowment might put them upon an enduring basis. It is too much to ask of any individual, to undertake a work which would be unwisely hazardous, and thereby to increase the delay of final success, by renewed instances of disaster. The experience of the Church in the last quarter of a century, indicates that the difficulties which surround such experiments are great, and also, by examples of success, show an advancing spirit of confidence in the general principles on which they are undertaken.

These principles have only just begun to be fairly declared by the legislation of the Church. In 1865 the Committee of the General Convention [see Appendix O. to Journal, p. 372] declare "that this is *the first time* that any such Committee of the General Convention has been actually at work on this subject," stating that their own appointment had taken them by surprise, and left them to gather up their information by a call on the Convention, to which call one member only responded. In accordance with the Sixth Resolution of that Primary Report there was a Joint Committee appointed to report to the last General Convention. In 1869 the Committee reported resolutions, which with one offered by a delegate from New York, were passed with great unanimity. They state as a principle that the distinction between Parochial and Grammar Schools should be made; *i. e.*, Parish Schools where a free education is given to the children of the poorer classes, and "pay schools for day scholars, boys and girls, thoroughly taught, carefully managed under a system of Church discipline and training." On referring back to the former Report, we find a sufficient definition of the Church element intended (Journal, pp. 374,

376). "Divine truth should be learned along with the lessons of the School, and enforced and illustrated in its discipline and order." The Church "must have such schools, distinctly her own, in which her lessons are taught, her influences and worship maintained," excelling "in efficient supervision and discipline," "in fervent, practical religion, growing up naturally, really and gracefully into the very souls of her children." "Only let there be no compromise or indistinctness on the point that the Church is the avowed guide in any such school. Let her holy seasons be observed, her honest sense of religious duty be impressed on her children in such schools," &c. The most important Resolution, however, which presents the whole subject in a terse and practical light, and requires the recognition of the solemn duty which lies on the Christian people of our Communion, is appended to this Report, as passed by the General Convention of 1869. It remains simply to state, that of the Schools mentioned in the Primary Address of our Bishop (see Journal, 1869, p. 98), it is known to the Committee that the Church character of Trinity School, Classical and English, for boys, the School of Mrs. Newton, Keble School, kept by Mrs. Marvin, have been successful during the year past. The others are believed to be equally successful, but the Committee regret to state that it has not been possible to visit them all, as they wished to do. The following Resolutions are appended:

Resolved, That this Convention hereby declares its conviction that the Church ought to consider the Christian education of her children, as a work which she is bound to promote in her organic corporate capacity, and as of co-ordinate importance with her missionary work.

Resolved, That the Clergy be requested to bring before their Parishes the principles and facts already stated by the Conventions of the Church, and to incite parents to a proper sense of their duties in this respect.

Resolved, That the Convention commend the faithful efforts of those who have undertaken such schools, and encourage them to diligence and energy in this good work.

CHARLES H. HALL,
THOS. G. VALPY,
CHARLES CONGDON,
W. H. FLEEMAN.

On motion, the several resolutions recommended in the Report were adopted.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT appointed the following

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D.,

The Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, D.D.,

The Rev. Thomas G. Valpy,

Mr. Charles Congdon,

Mr. William H. Fleeman.

The Rev. Dr. HALL, from the Committee on Canons, reported and read the proposed Article II., On Discipline, which had been referred to them, whereupon,

On motion, the several Canons of this Article were considered and adopted *seriatim*. After which Article II., On Discipline, as a whole, was adopted unanimously.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to number the Canons in order.

The Right Rev. the PRESIDENT appointed the following

COMMITTEE ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.

The Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D.,	Mr. Alexander V. Blake,
The Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, D.D.,	Mr. William B. Leonard,
The Rev. William H. Moore,	Mr. Henry P. Morgan,
	Mr. Charles R. Marvin.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. PADDOCK, the Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., was unanimously elected Registrar and Historiographer of the Diocese.

The adoption of the Canon *Of Discipline* having made it necessary to appoint an Ecclesiastical Court, the Right Rev. the Bishop announced the following as

The Ecclesiastical Court.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.,
 “ ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.,
 “ NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D.,
 “ DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.,
 “ WILLIAM H. MOORE,
 “ SAMUEL COX, D.D.,
 “ ROBERT B. DUANE, D.D.

Lay Assessor,

The Hon. MURRAY HOFFMAN, LL.D.

Church Advocate,

The Rev. MR. PEARSON, in accordance with Section II. of Canon 5, Article III., providing that one of the Committee

on Canons, shall, with the Secretary, certify the changes made in the Canons, announced that they had agreed upon the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Hall to fulfill that duty.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. JESSUP it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be allowed to report on Article VI., recorded on page 59 of the Journal, at the next Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HASKINS, it was

Resolved, That the two Canons on "the Institution of Ministers," and "the Use of Churches," on page 66 of the Journal, be reported upon at the next Convention.

On motion of Mr. A. V. BLAKE, it was

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the Convention be presented to the Acting Secretary, for the courteous and acceptable manner in which he has discharged his duties, and also to the Assistant Secretary *pro tem*.

On motion of Mr. A. E. MASTERS, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Treasurer of the Diocese, for his faithful and efficient services.

On motion of Mr. C. R. MARVIN, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be presented to the Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of the Church of the Holy Trinity, for the accommodations and attentions afforded to the Convention during its present sittings. Also to the Organist and Choir of St. Mary's Church, for services rendered at the opening of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. MARVIN, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to pay to the Sextons of this Church, fifty dollars for services rendered during the sitting of Convention.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese addressed the House.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. HASKINS, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, and the usual devotions, this Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Rev. Mr. PADDOCK, at the request of the PRESIDENT, took the Chair.

The Minutes of this day's proceedings were read and approved.

Gloria in Excelsis was sung : Prayers were said by the Rev. Dr. VAN KLEECK : The Right Rev. the Bishop pronounced the Benediction :

And the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,
Bishop of Long Island, and President of
the Convention.

Attest :

EDMUND D. COOPER,
Acting Secretary.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS

OF THE

THE REVEREND ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,
Bishop of Long Island,

DELIVERED BEFORE THE

Third Convention of the Diocese,

IN THE

Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn,

May 18th, A. D. 1870.



The Annual Address

OF

THE BISHOP OF LONG ISLAND.

*the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Long Island, assembled
at the Third Annual Convention :—*

DEAR BRETHREN : Most affectionately do I greet you as banded in the Lord, and welcome you, not only as members of this convention, but still more as co-laborers with me in the important field which God has committed to our care. Accept, I beseech you, this assurance ~~of~~^{and} my prayerful interest in your work, of my increasing sympathy with you in all your trials, and in your successes, and, in part at least, of such solicitude as becomes your Chief Pastor, for all that may affect your usefulness and happiness, as ambassadors and disciples of Christ. It is an occasion of joy to me, that I am permitted in God's mercy to address you here, upon interests that relate to the spread of the Common Gospel, the perfecting of the saints, and the edifying of the Church of Christ. And as we have gathered here to do what in us lies, to set forward the things of His Kingdom, so I trust that it will be one of the fruits of our joint deliberations, that, when we separate to return to our respective tasks, each will carry with him the feeling that some fresh spring of spiritual power has been opened up in his heart, and some new ground discovered of attachment and loyalty to our most ancient and precious inheritance of evangelical truth, and Apostolic order. For, however necessary usages and precedents and technical rules necessary to an assembly like this may tend to confine our speech and actions within certain fixed grooves, it will be our own fault if we permit them to chill the ardor of any earnest soul, or to destroy that fraternal sympathy of Christian brotherhood which flows down

from Christ, our vital Head, through all the faithful members of His One Body. Let us understand that all we come here for is not reducible to the limits of technical procedure. We are here, indeed, for business; here to inspect and, where needed, to mend and to keep in motion the proper machinery of Diocesan work; here to make and to alter laws as circumstances may require, here to discuss ways and means, and to establish a wise economy in the administration of all our resources. But the great, the sovereign end which commands the allegiance of our souls, the one purpose which alone gives meaning and value to all these details, and dignifies the meanest functions of this body—the Glory of God and the salvation of our fellow-men—this, if we are in a healthy frame, having in us the mind that was in Christ Jesus, will tower high above all like the sun mid-heaven pouring into each one of us and over all we do, such a flood of light and life as will charge the very atmosphere we breathe with a spirit of fraternal love and holy zeal. Every other object, every other result of our assembling together is trifling compared with the promotion of such a spirit. That brother, I think we shall all agree, but half does his work as a member of this Council, who labors here to oil the joints of the Diocese and finds nothing, does nothing here to remove from the joints of his own soul the friction of a dull faith and an unloving heart. I beseech you, then, brethren, go below, and rise above these often prosaic and always heavy conventional tasks, until you find some fresh token of that loving fellowship and communion, which under God, will, more than all else, save us from error and ignorance, pride and prejudice, and knit us together in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.

More than usually profitable servants must we have proved to our Divine Master if, in reviewing our work since we last assembled here, we find no occasion of sorrow and abasement. There have been, it is not to be denied, delays and disappointments, checks and losses, here and there unwise outlays of time and strength, needless obstructions to the growth of the organic life of the Diocese arising from the somewhat selfish and narrow corporate individualism of parishes that have not been brought to see that in a large sense, the growth of the Diocese is their growth, and reciprocally that their own growth is healthy only as it ministers to that of the Diocese. And yet, on the other

hand, we have not been, I thank God, without signal proofs of His favor during the few months which have elapsed since the last Convention. Among our parishes very few are feebler, while many are stronger than they were a year ago. Several new ones have been organized in fields of much promise. The statistics will show a healthy increase in the number of communicants and in the amount of contributions. The Diocese has sensibly advanced in all the elements of strength. The tone of religion among the people, as evinced in the largely increased attendance at Daily Service during the recent Lent in nearly all parishes where such a service was provided, has shown a marked improvement. Some of the clergy, however exalted, in years past, may have been their theoretical conception of the manifold uses of that season of spiritual refreshment, have freely acknowledged that they have but just entered upon the development and application of its power to quicken and organize the Christian activity of their respective flocks. A similar advance during the next few years in the practical use of Lenten privileges and in pushing home upon the people the great lessons of active work and earnest worship, will put a new face upon our religious life in individuals, in parishes, and in the whole Diocese. To achieve this will be to achieve many other results bound up with it. Things now difficult—almost impossible—noble plans born of the best wisdom and piety among us, but now classed among the chimerical projects of visionaries and enthusiasts, will become easy of accomplishment, nay, will drop as ripe fruit spontaneously grown so soon as the life of God in the souls of our people shall rise to a level with the sober and sustained, but ardent piety encouraged and provided for in our Book of Common Prayer. That sublime vehicle of Christian aspiration—that splendid mold of personal religion and public worship makes much of our current Christianity seem twice dead because it requires so much that our practice utterly fails to supply. *As we are*, we suffer from the very elevation of our standard. *As we might be*, that standard would become one of the chief sources of our influence over the masses around us. I hail with profound thankfulness every symptom of a livelier apprehension of the wonderful gifts, powers, and privileges contained in the practical system of the Church as it exists among us to-day.

As might be expected when the tone of practical Religion is

improving, the general work of the Diocese has proceeded in all its departments in harmony and good will. The clergy as a body have labored, each in his own field, in quietness and peace, giving little heed to the noisy antagonisms of party strife. There are differences of opinion among us on many great questions now agitating the theological world, as there must be among men who read and think; but these differences have thus far moved on in an atmosphere of large and friendly toleration uncongenial to the growth of any roots of bitterness. Situated as we are with a thousand presses thundering in our ears and throwing off their issues as the winds in Autumn shake the leaves from the forests, we could but feel every tidal change in the world's thought, every shock of controversy, and every conflict of opposing schools. But the charity which is older and greater than knowledge, the charity which has survived the death of so many systems, each in its turn wet with the blood of martyrs, has thus far prevailed among us, and enabled us as the ordained Deputies of Christ to bring forth the peaceable fruits of righteousness.

It is to be hoped that the breadth, freedom and peace which, when healthy, are always to be classed among the fruits of the love which thinketh no evil, and rejoiceth in the truth, will not be abused to the furtherance of any one's self-will and private judgment as against the safeguards of law, order and uniformity which this branch of the Church has thought fit to provide. Not a few of the disorders and strifes which now vex the Church, however they may claim to be the irrepressible issues of a sensitive conscience, are in reality the diseased offspring of a passionate self-will which sometimes hides its dangerous animus under a certain magnanimous enthusiasm for sweeping away all differences in Christendom, now with a view to a closer affiliation with those Branches that have retained the Apostolic succession of Order; and now with a view to absorbing or being absorbed in those Branches which hold to no other succession in the Church than that of Faith.

It is abundantly proved by history, that no part of our nature is so easily pressed into the service of anarchy and rebellion as the conscience. And in this age which rejoices in a free conscience as its special boon to mankind, we are admonished by many symptoms of the hour to watch and to resist its capricious and oftenthreatening eccentricities. Clearly that conscience is not only

poorly trained and untrustworthy, but has yet to learn the first elements of Christian obedience which, in order to revive some obsolete practice with a mediæval order, or to weed out some alleged error or grievance in the Offices of the Prayer Book, takes the law into its own hands in contempt of the Church's admitted authority to decree and to alter rites and ceremonies. The truly tender, balanced, well informed conscience would regard this as a very questionable step under any circumstances, and as gravely reprehensible until every legitimate appeal to the proper tribunal had been made, and every allowable expedient exhausted. That is not courage but rashness; not Christian manhood, but weak impatience; not an enlightened regard for truth, but the narrow unreasoning zeal of faction; not loyalty to conscience, but the waywardness of self-will which in advance of even the opportunity of formal ecclesiastical action, would innovate upon usages having the effect of law, or mutilate solemn Offices consecrated by the unbroken use of more than two centuries, and all the while thoroughly representative of the historic belief of the great majority of our communion.

Let us trust that neither course will find an advocate or apologist in this Diocese. For, assuredly, neither can find any encouragement in its traditions or its present temper and sympathy. If revision and reform be urged as things demanded by the altered tone of living opinion, let them be discussed with wisdom and moderation, and with a respectful and even affectionate deference to the views of their advocates; but let it be insisted upon as the common duty of all to leave, in a spirit of willing obedience, the issue to be determined by the general mind of the Church acting with all the facts before it and through her accredited authorities. Anything short of this is simply rebellion already begun, and can be the work only of those who though among us are not of us.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Missionary work in the rural portions of the Diocese is substantially the same as it was when reported to the last Convention. My second visitation of Queens and Suffolk counties will be made during the ensuing summer, when, I trust, some active measures will be taken to extend and invigorate the Missions already organized in those counties. My views in regard to the present condition and immediate prospects of the

Church in that section, as well as in regard to the means to be employed to quicken its life and diffuse a knowledge of its history, claims, and distinctive principles among a population not favorably disposed, on the whole, toward our methods and peculiarities, were stated at considerable length in my last Address, and need not now be repeated. Nothing which it is in our power to supply can alter materially the present outlook in that quarter except time, hard work, efficient missionaries and a liberal use of the Missionary funds of the Diocese. Of the parishes already in being the majority are steadily, though slowly, gaining strength, and look forward, hopefully, to the accessions which they will be sure to receive from the now rapidly increasing population in many parts of the Diocese ; while the others are hindered by causes which seem to be, amid the fluctuating life of the Church, its inevitable inheritance now in one part of the field and now in another. It is hardly to be expected, moreover, that an active, well equipped body of clergy, whatever their readiness to endure hardship and suffer self-denial, can be permanently retained where the provision for their support is so utterly inadequate. My meaning will be sufficiently understood when I say, that there are few of our parish ministers in the section of the Diocese to which I now allude, whose salaries are equal to the wages easily earned by ordinary mechanics ; while there are some whose income is less than that of the unskilled laborers who do the drudgery of the farm and the factory. The most heroic self-abnegation will gradually succumb under such a state of things, and it is idle to look for any important increase of clerical vigor and pastoral efficiency until the laity can be induced to take a healthier view of their own religious interests, and to act upon the precepts that the laborer in the Church as well as the laborer out of it is worthy of his hire, and that they who minister at the altar have a right to live of the altar.

In this city considerable progress has been made in occupying new ground. Three missions, after a very brief career, have been organized into parishes ; and two new stations have been established. All of these will require liberal aid for several years, though now full of promise and under the charge of zealous and energetic pastors. With few exceptions, all our younger parishes, though not planted a day too soon, and abounding in tokens of encouragement, must, if they are to be placed on a firm basis, re-

ceive the fostering care of our older and stronger congregations for some time to come. Their feebleness is that of infancy, not that of decay or stagnation. None of them could be spared, and all of them will grow into centres of power if properly supported now.

The Mission to the Public Institutions of the city and county is one of great interest, and must be generously sustained. It is in charge of two experienced and faithful Christian women, a part of whose work is under the wise supervision of the Rev. Dr. Van Kleeck of St. Paul's, Flatbush, and all of it is frequently reported in detail to the Bishop. Female ministrations have proved in the highest degree acceptable in this field, and supplemented and directed by such clerical help as was needed, have thus far met all the ordinary emergencies. The importance of the work done in this field, embracing the Prison, the Hospital, the Alms House and their dependencies, cannot be overrated. Both sexes and all ages have come under its influence; and among them many of our own baptism and our own faith—stray children of the Mother Church of England—living practically without hope and without God in the world; some the victims of misfortune and poverty; some the victims of criminal indulgence; and others a wretched progeny born to orphanage and destitution.

The amount of offerings for Diocesan missions expended in the city under the direction of the Missionary Committee, though respectable, is no fair indication of the whole sum raised for aggressive work. We have some parishes that make a poor figure in the Missionary Treasurer's account, which are sustaining with great vigor missions of their own in the city. After careful inquiry, I think I am safe in stating that not less than *ten thousand dollars* have been expended in our missionary work within the limits of the city, during the past year. It might be profitably increased to double this amount, and I trust that, as the magnitude of the task before us has but just begun to dawn upon the minds of our people, some such rate of increase may be realized during the next two years. To quicken and expand the Missionary work of the Diocese, to carry among communities where they are yet unknown our teaching, our services, our method of Christian nurture, our principles of Church organization and government, all of which we believe to be permeated by the Apostolic spirit if not in all respects cast precisely in the Apostolic mold, is the earnest desire of all. Not one of us but is

pained by the memory of past inaction, and by the knowledge of great opportunities wasted. Not one of us but hopes and prays and is ready to work for some nobler plan for developing and applying the gifts entrusted to us in God's mercy—some plan whose wide sweeping influence and energetic administration, shall gather into itself the loving hearts and willing hands, and with them the abundant resources of our people. This is the leading topic in the conferences of the clergy. It is discussed with fervor in many of the accidental gatherings of the laity. It is pleaded for in our pulpits, and the words spoken there are re-echoed from a thousand firesides in our midst. It is matter for joy that such a craving, such a demand exists among us. It is in itself an evidence of rising life. It shows that we have already advanced some way in the transition from a past era that no one recalls with satisfaction, to a future one wherein, under the awakening of the Holy Spirit, and the inspiration of intenser convictions of duty, our great capabilities shall be fired with a zeal worthy of our commission as a Church of Apostolic descent.

Of all the means to be employed to effect this transition, and to lead us into that more fruitful and glorious era, I may now allude to but one.

The supply of clergy is not now equal to the demand. We do little more, notwithstanding all this wonderful advance of population, not only here but all over the land, than to fill the gaps created by disease, old age, and death. Where the parochial clergy are doing well the work required of them as such—work which cannot be delegated or executed by proxy—they are over-weighted with toil and care. In many cases not a straw should be added to the burden already borne. Even now their week days are so full of distraction, so absorbed in the ever recurring tasks of the pastoral cure, and their Sundays so laden with incessant labor, that, as a rule, they are unable—in some cases for lack of books as well as lack of time—to keep up a decent average of professional scholarship and culture. For want of the reading which makes “the full man” their preaching falls off in freshness, variety, and point—sins of the pulpit for which at the bar of modern criticism, no graces of character, no services in the pastorate, no endurance of hardness for Christ's sake, afford any adequate atonement. As a rule, such is the pressure now upon the active and devoted clergyman—the man of quick sympathy, of keen sense of duty and of earnest purpose—(of idlers

n the vineyard and time servers, if such there be, I do not here speak) that it is the general expectation that he will be prematurely broken up and disabled. But if the demands of regular parochial work within well defined limits now exhaust the time and strength of the clergy; if no further burden can be laid upon them; if, moreover, the present indications are unfavorable to any immediate or considerable increase in the ranks of the Ministry, and this too, while in many great communities the population is doubled every fifteen years: where shall we turn for help? Where shall we look for the hearts and hands to push on any properly aggressive work, or to sustain the clergy in pioneer efforts? Where else than to the great body of the faithful, who in Baptism have put on Christ, and by their profession are declared to be not only His soldiers and servants, but priests and kings unto God? It will be our own fault if we do not profit, as we have not heretofore, by the lesson upon the manifold uses and capabilities of lay agency, taught with so much fullness and power by the Church of Apostolic days. Then the whole body was a working body, literally an army of the Lord, of which Bishops and pastors were the pivots and leaders. Then the laity in large numbers were singled out as men of good report and assigned to specific duties, the performance of which largely relieved the clergy of all save the work to which they were specially ordained. Then there was a sphere of practical labor for every earnest soul, and the pulsations of the central heart were felt to the farthest extremities. Then the current tasks of piety, mercy, and charity, which never materially changed in the Church of Christ; the great and momentous work of Education, of Missions, of going from house to house with the Word of Truth, and warnings against the enticements of an evil world, of visiting the sick, feeding the poor, consoling the afflicted, succoring the distressed—then all these obligations of a living Church were met by the laity to an extent not now dreamed of, or by many supposed even possible, under any system compatible with Church order and Ministerial prerogative. It is, indeed, high time, in view of the fearful emergencies that confront us, to awake out of sleep, to shake off the *high and dry* traditions which have for so many generations overlaid the real sources of the Church's power. Let us sift our parishes, and turn over and over the material they contain—if need be, training up to the proper standard of intelligence and fervor, much that is now unshapely

and useless—until we find in each congregation those who are meet for the work to be done. Then let them—Christian men and Christian women—be sent forth under authority as catechists, readers, teachers, visitors, almoners, nurses, helpers, in some form of the clergy, mouthpieces in all places of the Church's yearning desire to save and to bless in the name of her Divine Head. Could at least five of this sort be found by Pastoral search and entreaty in every parish of the city, who would pledge themselves to some systematic work under official direction, it would give us an aggregate of more than two hundred—four times the number of the clergy—a missionary host that, once fairly set in motion, would radically change the whole attitude of the Church toward this community in a single year. Will any brother here say that this is impracticable? Nay, unless the old zeal for Christ, the old love for souls that once belted the world with the fire of Pentecost, and the glory of Christian triumph, has died out in the Church of to-day, it is not too much to hope for the speedy realization of some such conception of returning life and power.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

In the course of the preceding remarks I alluded to the poor prospect before us of an adequate replenishment of the Ministry. This is a question of very grave import. Though it might be handled profitably in its bearing upon the general interests of the Church, I shall, for the present, call attention to it only as it affects ourselves. No Diocese ought to consider itself properly equipped, whatever its wealth, its numbers, or its present supply of clergy, without some stated, well defined arrangement for drawing from its youth, year by year, suitable material for the Holy Office. In the Hebrew Church, though confined to a single people, God, in His wisdom, carefully provided for keeping up not only the succession but the required number in the Priesthood by setting apart a whole tribe for this purpose. We cannot suppose that He deems a fixed provision, though of different sort, less necessary in the Christian Church, which is designed to meet the spiritual wants of the whole race. Now it is a fault chargeable against older Dioceses, and will be so against us, unless we take speedy measures to prevent it, that they have trusted too much to accidental influences, and to the fluctuating impulses of the individual conscience, to produce acceptable candidates for

the Sacred Ministry. It is the general experience that the young men who have offered themselves to the Church, have floated into her hands like waifs from the outer sea of life, not as though toned and shaped from early years by the steady attraction of the noblest of vocations. However much we may rely upon the Holy Ghost's uttering and enforcing His solemn call to the conscience, or upon any special work of God's Providence, there is evidently a duty to be discharged, a trust to be executed, by the Church, in the way of selection and nurture in many cases for a long period before the conscience awakens or the will decides. Nothing is to be said or done to impair the sense of responsibility in any candidate. His perfect liberty of choice must not be interfered with. And yet it makes a vast difference in the result whether or no a young man has been educated from childhood to think of this responsibility, and to exercise this liberty with a becoming deference to the highest claims upon his talents and gifts. It is just here that the influence of godly parents, the guidance and counsel of pastors, and the even, gentle pressure upon the character of well-ordered Church schools, ought to tell with power. It is not too much to say that all these agencies, if not sadly neglected, have not been used with energy and method. Hence what wonder that such a dearth of candidates should prevail, or that so much crude and doubtful material should push forward to perplex Bishops and trouble Standing Committees, and, finally, having been admitted and partially prepared, to be sifted out; or having gained the goal of ordination, to serve afterwards, by their droning incapacity, as little else than dead weights upon the chariot wheels of the Church. The Church has been remiss in the exercise of her prerogative in this regard. If unto God belong the gold and the silver and all precious things; if the truest, the purest and the best are specially His because most like Him, then it is a right delegated to His Divine Kingdom on earth to claim from the fold of our regenerate humanity, if there be any such, the lambs that are without blemish—the young life of noblest promise and choicest faculty. If there be a sore lack of such life now offering for the Ministry, as there certainly is, it is because the proper means to secure it have been overlooked; and not, as many argue, because of the stronger allurements of worldly honor, or the tempting prizes of wordly wealth. Such being my conviction, I earnestly entreat parents, pastors and teachers to

meet this crying need of the hour as they have not heretofore. Imbibing more and more the spirit of the Ember-seasons, let them search out, foster, build up in all the quiet places of our life those whom, in coming years, when the clergy of to-day shall be falling by the wayside and in the furrow, the Church shall delight to welcome at her altars as men full of the Holy Ghost, and lacking in no gift of the heavenly stewardship.

While dwelling upon the Church's need of more Candidates, a word or two in regard to the preparation and examination of those already enrolled as such, may not be out of place. I have appointed as Examining Chaplains, two Presbyters of the Diocese, whose learning, experience, and well-known devotion to their calling will not fail to command the confidence of all. Assured of their hearty co-operation, it is my purpose to provide every possible guarantee for the careful, methodical, and thorough performance of a duty, which, for reasons needless to enumerate here, has been too generally discharged in quite another way. The examiners wish to have it well understood that the examination of all Candidates who may come before them will cover without exception the whole course of study laid down in the Canon, and that it will be conducted with a conscientious regard for the best interests of the Church, and with a view to elevating the standard of Ministerial training. Hereafter, the case will have to be a very extraordinary one, in which the Bishop and Standing Committee will consent to any dispensation from the prescribed requirements. The Church through all her borders cries for more laborers; but her cry will be but poorly answered if she shall be obliged to accept the crude, the uncritical, the half-educated, who may flatter themselves that fervor and energy will remedy intellectual deficiencies. There is now too much culture among the laity, too much inquiry and agitation touching not merely the *form* but the very *ground* of belief, to encourage any candidate in supposing that his zeal will be received as the sufficient counterpoise for his ignorance.

The consideration of this subject suggests another intimately connected with it in the relation of means to the end. I refer to

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN CHURCH SCHOOLS.

This interest of the Diocese was put before you in strong language in my last Address. It is in every sense so important that

it will not fail to command our attention from year to year, until some scheme shall have been adopted which will enlist the sympathy and combine the efforts of the Diocese. The prompt action of the last Convention in appointing a standing committee on Christian Education, in pursuance of my recommendation, was very gratifying. This committee, I presume, will present to you the result of their inquiries and deliberations in a form requiring the action of the House. Their report will also contain such detailed information regarding the whole matter as will sufficiently indicate what additional steps may be expedient with a view to some more definite and pronounced course on the part of the Diocese.

The few schools dependent upon our encouragement and support, are battling bravely with obstacles unavoidably consequent upon their recent establishment. The most formidable, however, of these is the apathy of the general Church mind. If this is to be overcome, if we are ever to witness a healthier tone of feeling in regard to the Church's work and influence in the education of her children, if we are ever to have schools which will awaken our own pride and excite the good will and admiration of the public, we must look to the parochial clergy, each operating upon his own flock, and to our more thoughtful and earnest laity, each striving to leaven with sounder views and more decided sympathies the circle in which he moves. In the present state of feeling, teachers alone, however earnest and competent, schools, however unexceptionable in discipline and instruction, cannot effect any immediate or radical change in the views, or rather no-views, of the community. It is an almost self-evident proposition that if the Church would be coherent, compact, possessed of a homogeneous circulation of intellectual and spiritual vitality through all her members, thoroughly equipped for aggression upon the strongholds of error and sin, assured of the abiding and affectionate reverence and love of her children, she must educate; she must make herself heard in the school-house as well as in the sanctuary; she must stamp upon every young heart within her fold the image and superscription of her own life and purpose. And yet, though none among us have ever questioned this fact, so little positive educational work has been attempted as to convict us of unfaithfulness to our convictions or of indifference to our highest interests. Considering all that has been said and

admitted on this subject in our literature and in our General and Diocesan Conventions, it is certainly to be set down among the strange things of the hour, or rather among the worst fruits of our torpor and blindness, that some comprehensive, practical measures have not been inaugurated with a view to lifting our Educational to a level with our Missionary responsibilities. We may conquer new fields by our Missions; but we can hold them only as we educate. The school is the germ of the Mission, and the Mission, pillared on the school, is the germ of the Parish. Let us hope that the time is near when something more than occasional pamphlets and vigorous newspaper articles will be required to satisfy the consciences of Churchmen.

As for the system of popular State schools which under the pressure of conflicting interests and opinions, has been summoned to give an account of its stewardship, and in so doing will be obliged to encounter a searching and, perhaps, acrimonious discussion, I shall ask your indulgence for only a few words. With the merits of this system the mind of the country has long been familiar; with its defects it will now be forced to deal. How these are to be remedied so as to satisfy the Religious Sense of the land has not yet been made to appear. There are some Christian teachers of standing and influence from whom better things might have been expected, who seem quite willing for the purpose of holding on to the present machinery, to conciliate both Romish and Infidel assailants by stripping the system of the last vestige of respect for Religion. There are others, animated by a truer instinct, and thoroughly alarmed at the thought of schools for the masses avowedly godless, who have thrown themselves into the controversy with chivalrous bravery, and demand that at all hazards the Bible at least, without note or comment, shall be retained as a symbol, if nothing more, of reverent regard for the Christian Religion. But there are others, and among these, it is believed, will be found the great body of Churchmen, who feel that if the Bible is to be used as it has been of late years—read in detached fragments, apart from any universally received symbol like the Apostles' Creed, which shall set forth the fundamental facts of Christianity, the historic basis of its doctrine and morality—read often by careless and irreverent teachers, who in their crude attempts to pick out the moral beauties of the Holy Scriptures utterly ignore their unity of design

and continuity of teaching—read, it may be, by the children as a perfunctory exercise of the school and not as a duty of Religion ; there are those who regard the present strife for retaining the Bible as thus used, as of no great moment. With this class *the real issue is between more Religion in the schools and none at all.* They will not acquiesce in the mere presence, practically empty and powerless, of an untaught, uninterpreted Bible. They will insist not only upon the saying of the Decalogue and the Lord's Prayer, but upon the use of some form of faith, however brief and simple, which shall witness to the existence in our world, as the revealed gift of God, of a deposit of unchangeable, objective truth, *the necessary ground of positive morality and of acceptable worship.* It has seemed to me, after much reflection, that as the discussion which is now attracting the attention of thoughtful minds shall advance towards its final issue, it will be found that the Christian conscience of the land, however variously it may speak, and in spite of denominational differences, will demand of our State schools, as the very least that will satisfy it, that the Apostles' Creed or its equivalent shall be taught as the substance of belief, the Ten Commandments as the substance of morality, and the Lord's Prayer as the key note of worship. No one dreams of falling back on any scheme of mere natural morality. But if Christian morality is to be taught, it is impossible to teach it apart from its Divine Authority and Divine Sanctions. But if these have their due place, our State Education must acknowledge and use a Creed. This does not imply that the State will establish or inculcate any religion *as such* ; but that simply recognizing instruction in Christian morals to be absolutely necessary to its own safety and perpetuity, it will use what may be required of the Christian Religion as a means to an end—as an indispensable auxiliary in the task of educating its own citizens. An intelligent and virtuous citizenship is the supreme desideratum of the State—all other ends being merged in this ; as without it, there can be no lasting guarantee of order, growth, and perpetuity. To secure such a citizenship, the State, if it assume the great task at all, must educate the conscience as well as the intellect of the people. But to do this it must accept not only the highest and surest ground of moral obligation, but the clearest revelation and statement of that ground with its inseparable sanctions, *i. e.* the Christian Religion as a fact in History, as an authority in Morals, as a

Faith in the region of convictions apart from which man is not worth training, either by the State or the Church.

THE CHURCH CHARITY FOUNDATION.

Having, in my last Address, presented quite fully the nature, the objects and the present resources of this Foundation, I must refer those who may desire more particular information in regard to these points, to the statement then made. I am happy to inform you that the Board of Managers, after maturely considering various propositions relating to the enlargement of the existing accommodations, and generally to the increased efficiency of the Institution, have determined to erect during the ensuing year, if possible, a spacious and well-appointed building as a Home for Aged Women, Aged Married Couples, and Aged Men. So soon as this shall be done, it is intended to devote the present structure exclusively to the uses of the Orphan Children. With some changes in its internal arrangement, which will be attended with no great expense, this building will comfortably provide for nearly two hundred children. This plan of the Board will secure many advantages. It will turn to immediate use the income, now amounting to some \$2,200, of the Forbes' Legacy, which is limited to the support of Aged Married Couples and Aged Men—a Department of the Charity yet to be established. It will give to such of the Aged as are now under our care, many comforts which, though sorely needed, the present building cannot afford. It will separate two branches of the Charity which never should have been united under the same roof. It will enable us to increase the Orphan beneficiaries nearly four-fold. And, finally, it will mark another distinct age in the growth of that noble work, affording visible proof to all its friends and supporters in the Diocese, of its expanding life and of the proper discharge of their stewardship by those to whom this important trust has been confided. In resolving to go forward in this proposed enlargement, the Board deemed it wise to order that the work should not be commenced until \$25,000, or nearly two-thirds of the cost of the new structure should be raised. Toward this sum the Board have now in hand, in money and pledges, about \$12,000. With any fair degree of practical interest among the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, giving assurance of general co-operation, there can be no question about raising the balance, or even a much larger

figure. It is the duty of every parish to be represented in this work, however small may be the contribution. It is the central and representative Charity of the Diocese. Its benefits may be claimed by all who need them. Duly enlarged and endowed, it will open its doors and welcome to its genial care, the fatherless and the aged from all sections of the Island. Sooner or later, let us hope, by the munificence of laymen now among us, and to whom God has given a vast surplus of worldly substance, the means will be provided for a Hospital, a Dispensary, and a Training Houses for Women willing to devote their lives to works of mercy. And I may say here that neither the Managers of this Institution nor myself wish to trouble this Body to discuss and adopt mere resolutions of sympathy and good-will, which are to go upon the Minutes, and having excited a momentary interest, then to be forgotten. This Convention has done all that is needed in this way. It is only urged now that its members shall *work* as well as speak for this great interest. Let this be done, and its future, under God, is assured.

INSURANCE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

I bring this subject to the notice of the Convention in order that it may be ascertained whether any action is needed in regard to it. It is desirable that we should know, in some reliable way, to what extent the property of the Diocese is secured against losses by fire. To this end I would recommend that every parochial report at the next Convention shall state the probable value of the parish property, and for what amount it is insured ; or if there be no insurance, to report accordingly. A resolution to this effect, adopted by this Convention, might be advisable. It is singular that so common a precaution should be omitted in any instance ; and yet it is not uncommon to read of churches and parsonages and school buildings destroyed by fire on which there was no insurance.

LIFE INSURANCE FOR THE CLERGY.

This is of yet greater importance in many of its bearings. I need not enlarge upon its benefits. These are evident and will at once occur to all. Every clergyman who has a family, and has no other means than his salary, which, as a rule, is scarcely adequate to the current wants, and therefore forbids the possibility of any con-

siderable savings, ought to have a Life Policy of not less than \$2,500. But the practical difficulty is, as we all know, to provide the necessary annual premium. Nine out of ten of the clergy are unable to do this; therefore, if done at all, it must be by vestries or by congregations or by individual laymen. I very earnestly commend this subject to the considerate and generous action of the Laity. I trust the time is not far distant when every Parish in the Diocese will make suitable provision for this want.

If the clergy must act for themselves, I know of no plan for mutual aid and protection so commendable and efficient as that incorporated in the State of New Jersey, and entitled "The Clergymen's Mutual Insurance League." The principles and methods of this League are fully presented in a published pamphlet which may be procured from the Rev. W. N. Dunnell, rector of Trinity Church, Red Bank, New Jersey. It has now upon its books, I believe, the names of more than five hundred clergymen. It assures a substantial benefit while imposing no burden which may not be easily borne.

THE HYMNS OF THE CHURCH.

Though I have published no general license, I have in all cases in which application has been made to me, authorized the use of the collection known as "Hymns Ancient and Modern," and also the collection styled "Hymns for the Church and Home." I have pursued this course because I did not wish to suggest or encourage the introduction of these or any other Hymnals, nor yet to stand in the way of what many have come to regard as progress in the Hymnology of the Church. But these two collections especially "Hymns Ancient and Modern," have attained so wide a circulation, and are so obviously winning their way to general favor, that it is now expedient to have all concerned understand that they are duly licensed for use in this Diocese. This license, it will be remembered, is granted in conformity with the action of the House of Bishops, at the last General Convention, which adjourned in October, 1868. The license now given, therefore, does not include Hymns which may have been added in new editions of the above-named collections issued since that date. Our Hymnology is now in a transition state; we are passing from the poverty of the old collection, bound up in the Prayer Book, to what many believe will be the wealth of a new and enlarged

Let us hope that the confusion which now prevails—a confusion which has well nigh broken up all uniformity of use even contiguous parishes, will prove to be only the necessary preliminary to an era of richer and nobler common praise. It is difficult to describe the law of selection by which the general mind of the Church is governed in building up a Hymnal of lasting merit. It clings with tenacious affection to some Hymns which a wise criticism has over and over declared to be very poor, regarded simply as poetry. It rejects others which seem to be in the most faultless molds of lyrical excellence. If the religious consciousness be governed in its choice by any law of elective affinity, it must be admitted that the operation of that law is variable and eccentric, and in some instances unaccountable.

A REGISTRAR AND HISTORIOGRAPHER OF THE DIOCESE.

This Diocese is singularly rich in historic materials. Our church life is now a century and three-quarters old. It goes back to the labors of the first missionaries sent to this Continent “the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel;” as experienced many changes and fluctuations, some of them teaching lessons which ought not to perish from the memory of posterities which are to follow us. There are single parishes in the Diocese whose local history is of surpassing interest. The Diocese ought to have its own archives, and these should be in the hands of a duly appointed custodian, empowered to collect and arrange all materials in any way useful for illustrating our ecclesiastical annals.

Visitations and Acts.

Sunday, October 3, A. M. I celebrated the Holy Communion in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

Sunday, October 3, P. M. I assisted at Evening Prayer in Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights.

Sunday, October 10, A. M. I preached in St. Ann's Chapel, Brooklyn.

Sunday, October 10, A. M. I presided at the Anniversary Meeting of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry, in Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn.

October 11. I attended the Board of Missions, New York.

October 12, A. M. The Board of Missions.

October 12, P. M. I addressed the Congregation and Sunday School of St. Matthew's Church, Brooklyn,

October 13. The Board of Missions.

October 14. I attended a special meeting of the House of Bishops in New York.

Sunday, October 17, A. M. St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, E. D., I celebrated the Holy Communion, and addressed the Congregation on the occasion of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Rectorship of Rev. Dr. Haskins.

Sunday, October 17, P. M. I addressed the Congregation and Sunday School of St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn.

Sunday, October 17, Evening. In St. Paul's, Brooklyn, I read Evening Prayer, and addressed the Congregation.

October 20, A. M. I presided at the Opening Service of the new St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn.

October 20, Evening. I delivered a Historical Discourse in St. Ann's.

October 21. I met the Missionary Committee of the Diocese.

October 22. I confirmed two persons in private, at the residence of Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell, Brooklyn.

Sunday, October 24, A. M. I preached in Christ Church, Brooklyn, E. D.

Sunday, October 24, P. M. I addressed the Sunday School.

Sunday, October 24, Evening. I preached in Calvary Church, Brooklyn, E. D.

Sunday, October 31, A. M. I preached in St Stephen's Chapel, Brooklyn, and confirmed fourteen persons and addressed them.

Sunday, October 31, P. M. I addressed and catechised the Sunday school.

Sunday, October 31, P. M. I baptized one infant in St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn.

Sunday, October 31, Evening. I preached in Holy Trinity Chapel.

November 1. I presided at a meeting of the Managers of the Church Charity Foundation.

Sunday, November 7, A. M. Christ Church, Manhasset, I preached and confirmed seven and addressed them. I also celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rector.

Sunday, November 7, P. M. In Trinity Chapel, Roslyn, I preached and confirmed eighteen persons and addressed them.

November 8. I received notice of the resignation of Rev. Dr. Canfield, also of the election and acceptance of Rev. Lucius B. Bancroft, D.D., to enter upon his duties first Sunday in Advent, November 28th.

November 11. In St. Ann's Chapel, I confirmed one person from Trinity Church, East New York.

Sunday, November 14, A. M. I preached in Christ Church, Sag Harbor.

Sunday, November 14, P. M. I preached in Christ Church, Sag Harbor.

November 18. I assisted in the Public Services at Holy Trinity.

Sunday, November 21. I assisted at Morning Service, and addressed the Congregation in Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn.

November 22. I confirmed one person in private, presented by Rev. W. Schouler, Jr., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Brooklyn.

November 25. In St. George's, Flushing, I met the Clergy of Queens and Suffolk Counties, and several from Kings County, in Convocation, and having addressed them, I celebrated the Holy Communion. In the P. M. I joined them in private conference. In the Evening I presided at a public meeting for the discussion of several topics of practical interest.

November 26. After Morning Prayer, I presided at an adjourned public meeting of the Clergy, and made the closing address to the people of St. George's.

Sunday, November 28, A. M. At St. Ann's, I delivered an address.

Sunday, November 28, P. M. At the Church of the Mediator, I addressed the Sunday School.

November 30. I received notice of the resignation of St. Mark's, by Rev. T. F. Cornell.

Second Monday in Advent, December 6, A. M. At St. Mark's, Adelphi Street, I addressed the Congregation on the Affairs of the Parish, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

Second Monday in Advent, December 6, P. M. I assisted in the Service.

Second Monday in Advent, December 6, P. M. I baptized an infant at Holy Trinity Church.

Sunday, December 12, A. M. I delivered an address and celebrated the Holy Communion at the opening of St. Barnabas' Chapel, Brooklyn. Rev. Henry A. Dows, Missionary in charge, Rev. Prof. S. R. Johnson, D.D., assisted in the administration of the Sacrament, and addressed the Congregation.

Sunday, December 12, P. M. At Grace Church, Brooklyn, I closed the Service with Prayer and the Blessing, after a Discourse by the Bishop of Central New York, in aid of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.

December 13. I received notice of the election to the Rectorship of St. Mark's, Brooklyn, of Rev. Wm. T. Fitch, also of his acceptance of the same.

December 18. In Holy Trinity Chapel, Brooklyn, after Morning Prayer, I confirmed one person, presented by Rev. Dr. Hall, the Rector.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 19, A. M. In Roslyn, I confirmed five persons, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion, and addressed the Sunday School.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 19, P. M. I confirmed one person in private.

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 19, Evening. I preached.

December 23. I gave my consent to the consecration of the Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of Arkansas.

Christmas Day. In St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rector.

Sunday after Christmas, December 26. In St. James' Church, Brooklyn, I preached in the morning. Catechised and addressed the Sunday School in the P. M.

Sunday after Christmas, December 26, Evening. In Grace Church, Jamaica, I addressed the Sunday School and the Congregation.

St. John's Day, December 27. I addressed the Sunday School of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

Holy Innocents' Day, December 28. I addressed the Sunday School of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, E. D.

December 29. I addressed the Sunday School of St. James' Church, Brooklyn, at the Christmas Festival.

Second Sunday after Christmas, January 2, A. M. In St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.

Second Sunday after Christmas, January 2, Evening. In St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn, I preached.

Epiphany, January 6. In St. John's Church, Brooklyn, I addressed the Congregation, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

First Sunday after Epiphany, January 9, A. M. In St. Peter's Church, Brooklyn, I addressed the Congregation on Diocesan work.

First Sunday after Epiphany, January 9, P. M. In St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn, I addressed the Congregation and Sunday School on the Christian nurture of the Young.

First Sunday after Epiphany, January 9, Evening. I preached in Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 16, A. M. At the Opening of St. John's Chapel, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rector, and the Rev. Prof. S. R. Johnson, D.D.

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 16, 3 o'clock, P. M. I attended the Opening Service of the Mission Chapel of St. John's, and addressed the Congregation.

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 16, 6 o'clock, P. M. I addressed the Sunday School of All Saints' Church, on the occasion of their Epiphany Anniversary.

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 9, 7.30 o'clock, P. M. I assisted in the Evening Service at St. John's Chapel.

January 17. I visited one Department of the Public Institutions at Flatbush.

January 18. I officiated at a marriage, in Trinity Chapel, New York.

January 19. I attended a meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 23, A. M. I preached in Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights.

Third Sunday after Epiphany, January 23, P. M. I preached in the Floating Chapel for Seamen, in the City of New York.

January 25. I attended a meeting of several of the Clergy and Laity, to adopt measures for the Incorporation of Trinity School.

January 27. I visited the Keble School, Mrs. Marvin, Principal.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, January 30, A. M. I preached in Zion Chapel, Rev. Mr. Dows, Missionary.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany, January 30, P. M. I preached in St. Mark's, Brooklyn.

January 31. I visited the City Hospital of Brooklyn, and confirmed one person, presented by Rev. Jno. A. Paddock.

Feast of the Purification, February 2. I presided at a meeting of the Managers of the Church Charity Foundation.

February 4. I officiated at a funeral. In the evening I confirmed four persons in St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, and preached.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany, February 6, A. M. I preached in St. Stephen's Chapel, Brooklyn, and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rector.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany, February 6, P. M. I examined and addressed the Sunday School of St. Stephen's.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany, February 6, Evening. I preached in St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn.

February 21. I presided at a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Church Charity Foundation.

February 21. I received notice from the Missionary Bishop of Nebraska, of the deposition of Rev. Charles H. Rice, on the 16th of February, 1870.

February 21. I received notice from Rev. H. V. Degen, of his election to the Rectorship of St. Mary's Parish, Ronkonkoma, and of his acceptance, to take effect April 1st.

February 25. I confirmed one person in private, Rev. Dr. D. V. M. Johnson presenting the candidate.

Quinquagesima, February 27, A. M. I opened, with Service and Sermon, the Chapel on Green Avenue, near Tompkin's Avenue, Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector.

Quinquagesima, February 27, P. M. I presided at the Anniversary Meeting of the Church Charity Foundation, in the Church of the Holy Trinity.

Ash-Wednesday, March 2. I assisted in the services at the Church of the Holy Trinity.

First Sunday in Lent, March 6, A. M. I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion in Old St. Ann's Church.

First Sunday in Lent, March 6, P. M. I preached at Grace Church, on the Heights.

First Sunday in Lent, March 6, Evening. I preached in the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn.

March 9, Evening. In Holy Trinity Chapel, I administered Holy Baptism to one infant and preached.

March 11. I officiated at a funeral.

March 12. I confirmed one person in private, Rev. Dr. D. V. M. Johnson presenting the candidate.

March 12. Ember Ordination. In Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn, I ordained to the Priesthood, Rev. Stephen A. McNulty and Rev. Henry Emerson Hovey.

Second Sunday in Lent, March 13, A. M. In St. Mark's, Adelphi Street, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed six persons and addressed them.

Second Sunday in Lent, March 13, P. M. I preached in St. John's Chapel, Brooklyn,

March 15. I presided at a meeting of the Managers of the Church Charity Foundation.

Third Sunday in Lent, March 20, A. M. In Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn, I preached and confirmed five persons and addressed them.

Third Sunday in Lent, March 20, Evening. In St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed ten persons and addressed them.

March 21. I presided at a meeting for the Incorporation of Trinity School, Brooklyn.

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 27, A. M. Church of the Reformation, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed twenty-three persons, and addressed them.

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 27, P. M. I preached in the Church of the Atonement.

March 30. At Grace Church, Jamaica, I preached, confirmed twenty-three persons and addressed them. In the same Parish

March 31. On the following day, I confirmed three persons and addressed the Congregation.

March 31, P. M. In St. George's Church, Flushing, after Evening Prayer, I addressed the Brotherhood of the Parish, and then preached to the Congregation.

March 31. I licensed for one year, Mr. Theodore F. Cogswell, as Lay Reader and Catechist at Grace Parish, Jamaica, and vicinity.

April 1. I licensed for the year, as Lay Readers and Catechists in St. George's Parish, Flushing, Messrs. George E. Peck and J. Bradford Prince.

April 1. In the evening, in the Chapel of the Evangelists, I preached, confirmed ten persons and addressed them.

April 2. At the Hospital and Alms House, Flatbush, I confirmed thirteen persons and addressed them. This class was instructed and prepared by Miss Coakley, Diocesan Missionary under the supervision of Rev. Dr. Van Kleeck, Rector of St. Paul's, Flatbush, who presented the candidates and conducted the preliminary services.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, A. M. In St. Paul's, Flatbush, I preached, confirmed ten persons and addressed them. I celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rector.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, P. M. In St. Mark's, Brooklyn, E. D., I catechised and addressed the Sunday School, subsequently, after Evening Prayer, I preached, confirmed thirty-one persons and addressed them.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, Evening. In St. Peter's, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed thirty-six persons and addressed them.

April 4. I confirmed one person in private, Rev. Dr. B. H. Paddock presenting him.

April 8. In the Church of the Redeemer, Astoria, I preached, confirmed thirteen persons and addressed them.

Palm Sunday, April 10, A. M. In Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, I preached, confirmed seventeen persons and addressed them.

Palm Sunday, P. M. In Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed forty-eight persons and addressed them.

April 11, P. M. In St. John's Chapel, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed forty-nine persons and addressed them.

April 12, P. M. In the Chapel of the Good Shepherd I preached, confirmed seven persons and addressed them.

April 13, P. M. In the Red Hook Mission Chapel I preached, confirmed fifty persons and addressed them.

April 14, P. M. In the Church of the Ascension, Greenpoint, I preached, confirmed twenty-three persons and addressed them.

Good Friday, April 15, A. M. In St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed ten persons and addressed them.

Good Friday, April 15, Evening. In St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed nineteen persons and addressed them.

Easter Even, April 16, Evening. In the Church of Our Saviour, Brooklyn, I preached, confirmed twenty-four persons and addressed them.

Easter Day, April 17, A. M. I opened All Saints' Chapel, Brooklyn, with Sermon and the Holy Communion. I also confirmed nine persons and addressed them.

Easter Day, April 17, P. M. I attended the Easter Sunday School Anniversary in Grace Church on the Heights, and Holy Trinity and St. James' Churches, Brooklyn; exchanging joyful greetings with more than 1,200 Children and 140 Teachers and Catechists.

Easter Day, April 17, Evening. In the Church of the Mediator, Brooklyn, I addressed the Congregation (on the urgency of paying off their floating debt, receiving a liberal response). I then preached and confirmed thirteen persons and addressed them.

Sunday after Easter, April 24. In St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, I preached morning and evening for the Rector, who was disabled by sickness.

Second Sunday after Easter, May 1, A. M. In Guion Chapel I read Morning Prayer, confirmed four persons, preached and addressed the Candidates.

Second Sunday after Easter, May 1, P. M. I opened, with Evening Prayer and an Address, the new Chapel at Brownville, near East New York; Rev. Mr. Elsegood and Mr. Hooper, Lay Reader, being present and assisting.

Second Sunday after Easter, May 1, Evening. I presided at the Anniversary of the Protestant Episcopal Seamen's Mission Society, in St. Ann's Church on the Heights.

May 1. I received notice from the Bishop of Virginia of the Deposition by him of the Rev. John Cosby, late a Presbyter of that Diocese, according to the provisions of Canon 5, Title II of Digest.

May 2. In the Chapel of Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn, I deposed from the Ministry, Rev. A. McElroy Wylie.

Sunday, May 8. In Holy Trinity Chapel, Greenport, Suffolk Co., I read Service and preached, Morning and Evening.

May 9. I visited Sag Harbor and conferred with the Rector of Christ Church, who had recently entered upon his duties.

May 10. I visited East Hampton on Church business.

Sunday, May 15, A. M. In St. Ann's Church on the Heights I preached and confirmed fifty-two persons.

Sunday, May 15, P. M. I preached in St. Paul's, South Brooklyn.

May 16. I met with the Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund; also with the Missionary Committee of the Diocese.

Candidates for Deacon's and Priest's Orders.

WILLIAM HOOPER BERRIAN,	-	-	-	February 16, 1869.
DOMINIC McCaffrey,	-	-	-	May 17, 1869.
HENRY BETTS CORNWELL,	-	-	-	June 26, 1869.
JOHN C. HEWLETT,	-	-	-	Sept. 27, 1869.
JOHN WICKLIFFE LEEK,	-	-	-	Dec. 13, 1869.
JOHN H. PRESCOTT,	-	-	-	March 7, 1870.

Ordained to the Diaconate.

MR. JOHN J. A. MORGAN, - - - - April 6, 1870.

MR. OLIVER S. TAYLOR, - - - - April 6, 1870.

(These Candidates have passed the Three Examinations for Priest's Orders.)

Ordained to the Priesthood.

REV. HENRY EMERSON HOVEY, - - - March 12, 1870.

REV. STEPHEN A. McNULTY, - - - March 12, 1870.

REV. REEVE HOBIE, - - - March 12, 1870.

Resignation of Parishes.

I have been notified of the Resignation, by the Clergymen named below, of the Parishes respectively mentioned :

The Rev. E. H. CANFIELD, D.D., of the Rectorship of Christ Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D., of the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. THOMAS R. HARRIS, Minister of St. John's, Cold Spring.

The Rev. GEORGE G. HEPBURN, Minister of Holy Trinity Chapel, Greenport.

The Rev. JAMES BARNES, Assistant Minister of St. Peter's, Brooklyn.

The Rev. T. F. CORNELL, of the Rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. D. C. LOOP, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. W. D. HARLOW, of the Chaplaincy of Church Charity Foundation.

The Rev. W. C. COOLEY, of the Rectorship of St. Saviour's, Maspeth.

The Rev. HENRY V. DEGEN, Assistant Minister of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn.

Clergymen Appointed to Cures.

I have received, on behalf of the Clergymen named below, the Canonical Certificate of their election to the Cures respectively

mentioned. In each case I have transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention, for record by him, the Certificate required by the Canon :

The Rev. REEVE HOBIE, as Assistant Minister of Holy Trinity, Brooklyn.

The Rev. L. W. BANCROFT, D.D., to the Rectorship of Christ's Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, to the Rectorship of St. Mark's, Brooklyn.

The Rev. WILLIAM B. BODINE, as Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. ROBERT E. TERRY, to the Rectorship of St. John's, Brooklyn.

The Rev. CHARLES H. TUCKER, as Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. E. HUBBELL, to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Sag Harbor.

The Rev. WM. MORTIMER WILLIAN, as Minister of St. Michael's, Brooklyn.

The Rev. HENRY V. DEGEN, to the Rectorship of St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma.

The Rev. HENRY A. DOWS, to the Rectorship of Zion Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. G. G. HEPBURN, to the Rectorship of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Brooklyn.

Clergymen Received into the Diocese.

1869.

December 11, The Rev. REEVE HOBIE, from the Diocese of Maryland.

December 16, The Rev. L. W. BANCROFT, D.D., from the Diocese of Ohio.

December 27, The Rev. WILLIAM T. FITCH, from the Diocese of Ohio.

December 31, The Rev. JOHN BURKE, from the Diocese of New York.

1870.

January 11, The Rev. WILLIAM B. BODINE, from the Diocese of Maryland.

- January 13, The Rev. ROBERT E. TERRY, from the Diocese of North Carolina.
- January 13, The Rev. CHARLES H. TUCKER, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.
- January 31, The Rev. CARLOS E. BUTLER, from the Diocese of Albany.
- February 16, The Rev. EDWARD HUBBELL, from the Diocese of Ohio.
- May 16, The Rev. WM. M. WILLIAN, from the Diocese of New York.

Clergymen Deposed.

1870.

- February 21, I received notice of the deposition of Rev. CHARLES H. RICE, by the BISHOP OF NEBRASKA.
- May 1, Also of Rev. JOHN COSBY, by the BISHOP OF VIRGINIA.
- May 2, I deposed from the Ministry Rev. A. McELROY WYLIE.

Letters Dimissory Granted.

- October 21, The Rev. B. F. TAYLOR, to Central New York.
- October 22, The Rev. DAVID F. McDONALD, D.D., to Connecticut.
- November 26, The Rev. JAMES THOMSON, to Massachusetts.
- December 22, The Rev. DEWITT C. LOOP, to Connecticut.
- 1870.
- January 27, The Rev. ALEXANDER BURGESS, D.D., to Massachusetts.

New Parishes: Incorporation Approved.

Zion Church, Brooklyn.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Brooklyn.

Corner Stones Laid.

1869, October 19, of Guion Chapel, Brooklyn.

1869, October 31, of a Chapel at Central Islip, Suffolk County.

(One of these was laid by a Presbyter.)

Examining Chaplains.

I have re-appointed the Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D., and Rev. BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D., Examining Chaplains.

Summary.

In conclusion, I would present the following summary of the more important Episcopal Acts during the last seven months, or since the date of the last Convention :

Ordained to the Priesthood.....	3
Ordained to the Diaconate.....	2
Clergymen received into the Diocese.....	10
Clergymen dismissed to other Dioceses.....	5
Clergymen belonging to the Diocese—Priests.....	86
“ “ “ Deacons	8

(Of whom 6 are non-residents, 5 are disabled by sickness, and 12 are not permanently engaged in Parishes.)

Admitted and received as Candidates for Holy Orders.....	2
Total number of Candidates, of whom all are Candidates for Priests' Orders.....	6
Licensed to lay read.....	6
Consented to the organization of two new Parishes.	
Laid the Corner Stones of two Chapels.	
Baptized—Infants	2
Confirmed in 23 Parishes.....	500
Marriages	3
Funerals	3
Issued one Pastoral Letter.	
Deposed one Presbyter from the Ministry.	
Received two notices of deposition.	

ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D.,
Bishop of Long Island.

APPENDIX I.

Parochial and Clerical Reports,

From September 29th, 1869, to May 17th, 1870.

The following reports are published in accordance with Section I., of Canon 15, Title I., of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention, which attention is respectfully requested :

Of the Mode of securing an accurate View of the State of the Church.

A full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of a Church, or if the Parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, and of the number of communicants in this Parish or Church, also the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in this Parish, also of the amount of the Communion alms, the contributions for mission, diocesan, domestic and foreign, for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes in general; and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and, if he have performed no such services, the causes and reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

KINGS COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, BAY RIDGE.

The Rev. J. A. Aspinwall, Rector.

Families, 60; Individuals, 225.

Baptisms: Infants, 7.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 7.

Communicants: Present Number, 95.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12.

Easter and Christmas Day.

Sermons, 80. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 9. Total, 15

Scholars, Total, 125.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 10.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$160 84; Sunday School Offerings, \$100 00; Christmas Tree and Festival, \$168 00; Ladies' Sewing Society in money and clothes, \$1,000 00; Mission Circle (Foreign and Domestic), \$500 00. Total..... \$1,928 84

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$105 00; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00. Total..... \$135 00

GENERAL: American Church Missionary Society, \$217 90; Mission House, Philadelphia, \$300 00; Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$65 00; Mission to the Jews, \$13 00; Evangelical Education Society, \$300 00. Total..... \$895 90

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$2,959 74

I have conducted, myself, a series of Bible Lectures and Talks; some held in our Lecture Room, and some in my Study; also, monthly, I have Children's Church in the afternoon.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William D'Orville Doty, Rector.

Families, 74; Individuals, about 300.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 11. Total, 13.

Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 3. Burials, 10.

Communicants: Admitted, 26; Received, 9; Removed, 16.

Present Number, 116.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 8; Other Days, 3. Total, 15.

Private, 4.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 3. Total, 36.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 12. Total, 45.

Sermons, 70. Lectures and other Addresses, 45.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 10; Female, 14. Total, 24.

Scholars, Male, 89; Female, 87. Total, 176.

Public Catechetical Instruction; No. of Times, 9; Catechumens, 17

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$45 72; Sunday School, \$5 00; Sunday School Offerings, for Organ Fund, \$260 00; Easter Offerings, for Building Fund, \$200 00. Total..... \$540 72

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$11 06; Salary of the Bishop, assessment for 6 months, \$7 50; Diocesan Fund, first year, \$8 00, second year, \$14 00, \$22 00; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$10.

Total \$50 56

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$591 28

The new Chapel of All Saint's Church, being completed, it was opened for Divine Service on Easter Day, April 17th, 1870, by the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, who preached, delivered an Address of Congratulation to the Parish, administered the Rite of Confirmation, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

The Chapel is erected on 7th Street, near 7th Avenue. It is of Elizabethan style of architecture, and has sittings for over 300 persons.

The windows of stained glass, from the manufactory of Mr. Frederick, of this city, are the gift of the Sunday School, and give general satisfaction. The center opening of the Chancel window, represents our Lord with little children; the other two are of a geometrical pattern, filled up with symbolical representations of the two Sacraments.

The Books for the Reading Desk were generously donated by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Powell; those for the Chancel by Miss Ann Perry. The upholstery and covering of Chancel furniture, &c., by Mr. Robert Dent. While the Ladies of the Helping Hand Society have neatly carpeted the Chancel and Nave.

Too much praise cannot be awarded to many in the Congregation for their faithful service in the work of building our Chapel.

Especial gratitude is due to the Building Committee, Mr. Arthur Sinclair, Mr. Henry S. Lansdell and Mr. Henry Bristow, who, in the midst of many discouragements, have shown unflagging zeal and untiring energy in prosecuting the work committed to them.

CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William Hyde, Rector.

Families, 130.

Baptisms: Infants, 21.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 11.

Communicants: Admitted, 4; Received, 21; Removed, 4.

Present Number, 91.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 10.
Morning Prayer : Sundays, 34.
Evening Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Other Days, 33. Total, 66.
Sermons, 71. Lectures and other Addresses, 43.
Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 9 ; Female, 24. Total, 33.
Scholars, Male, 160 ; Female, 208. Total, 368.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Sunday School Offerings, \$198 51 ; Collections, subscrip-
tions, &c..... \$1,160 40

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,358 91

CHRIST CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. L. W. Bancroft, D. D., Rector.
The Rev. William B. Bodine, Assistant Minister.

Families, 140.
Baptisms : Adults, 5 ; Infants, 9. Total, 14.
Marriages, 4. Burials, 10.
Communicants : Present Number, 311.
Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 8 ; Other Days, 1. Total, 9.
Private, 7.
Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 3. Total, 36.
Evening Prayer : Sundays, 29 ; Holy Days, 3 ; Other Days, 28.
Total, 60.
Sermons, 69. Lectures and other Addresses, 27.
Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 8 ; Female, 16. Total, 24.
Scholars, Total, 184.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$485 46 ; Sunday School,
\$88 55 : Sunday School Offerings, \$300 00. Total..... \$874 01
DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$315 00 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment,
\$35 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$52 50 ; Diocesan Missions, \$2,084 11 ; The-
ological Education, \$803 33 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$190 63
Total \$3,480 57
Total for General Purposes..... \$7,594 20

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$11,948 78

CHRIST CHAPEL, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Charles H. Tucker, Minister in charge.

Families, 143.

Baptisms: Adults, 12; Infants, 17. Total, 29.

Confirmed, 49. Marriages, 2. Burials, 24.

Communicants: Admitted, 50; Received, 1; Removed, 1; Died, 1.

Present Number, 126.

Holy Communion: Public, 8.

Private, 1.

Sermons, 67. Lectures and other Addresses, 45.

Sunday School: Teachers, 37.

Scholars, 450.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$46 40; Sunday School Offerings, \$140 00; Weekly Collections, \$219 06. Total.. \$405 46

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$405 46

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Henry B. Walbridge, D.D., Rector.

Families, 53; Individuals, 216.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; Infants, 6. Total, 7.

Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Present Number, 134.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 8; Other Days, 2. Total, 10.

Private, 2.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 14; Other Days, 1. Total, 48.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 6; Other Days, 23. Total, 62.

Sermons, 72. Lectures and other Addresses, 30.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 7; Female, 14. Total, 21.

Scholars, 130.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 7.

Industrial School for Girls: Pupils, 50; Teachers, 8.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$81 33; Sunday School, \$73 46; Industrial School, \$72 55; Sunday School Offerings, \$35 82;

Repairs of Church, \$175 00; Christmas Decorations, \$50 00; Floating Debt paid, \$4,000 00. Total..... \$4,488 16

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund and Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$245 00; Diocesan Fund, \$36 00; Diocesan Missions, \$35 30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$18 83. Total..... \$335 13

GENERAL: Sunday School Union and Church Book Society 25 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$4,848 29

CHURCH OF THE EVANGELISTS, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. B. S. Huntington, Rector.

Families, 32; Individuals, 130.

Baptisms: Adults, 3.

Confirmed, 10. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Admitted, 3; Received, 15; Removed, 4; Died, 1.

Present Number, 63.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 5; Other Days, 1. Total, 6.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 26; Holy Days, 4; Other Days, 4. Total, 34.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 25; Holy Days, 1; Other Days, 8. Total, 34.

Sermons, 61. Lectures and other Addresses, 7.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 4; Female, 7. Total, 11.

Scholars, Male, 22; Female, 33. Total, 55.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$43 70; Sunday School Offerings, \$92 60; Parish Purposes (not including Pew Rent and Subscriptions), \$1,189 82. Total..... \$1,326 12

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment..... 10 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,336 62

This Report includes about four months from the opening of the new Chapel in Degraw Street, on the 12th of December.

The increase of the Church has exceeded expectation, but the number of new Church enterprises in this particular locality, in advance of the population, must necessarily interfere with rapid growth for the present.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (LATE HOLY TRINITY MISSION CHAPEL), BROOKLYN.

George G. Hepburn, Rector.

Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Present Number, 40.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, Monthly; Other Days, Chief Festivals. Private, 1.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, Weekly; Holy Days, 3; Other Days, 1.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, Weekly; Holy Days, 7; Other Days, 33.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 5; Female, 5. Total, 10.

Scholars, 65.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$6 11; Sunday School, \$17 03; Building Fund at Wednesday Evening Services, \$21 95; Sunday Offertory for Rector's Salary, \$177 14.

DIOCESAN: Diocesan Missions, \$4 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$5 00. Total..... \$9 00

GENERAL: Church at Raymond, Miss..... 1 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$29 24

This Report covers only the six months last past, dating from the 1st of November, at which time I was appointed to the pastoral charge of the Chapel by Dr. Hall.

During that time we have purchased four lots of ground on Herkimer Street, immediately in the rear of the Chapel, and have already raised by subscription \$1,500 toward the erection of a Church building. The work, though arduous, looks in every way encouraging, and we hope before many months, by the blessing of God and the hearty support and co-operation of my people, to complete a Church which shall ever be to the honor and glory of His Holy Name.

GRACE CHURCH, BROOKLYN HEIGHTS.

The Rev. Benj. H. Paddock, D.D., Rector.

The Rev. DeWitt C. Loop, Rector's Assistant (until Advent).

The Rev. Thomas G. Valpy (Deacon), Rector's Assistant (since Advent).

Families, about 275; Individuals, about 1,100.

Baptisms: Adults, 1; Infants, 25. Total, 26.

Confirmed, 19. Marriages, 12. Burials, 16.

Communicants: Admitted and Received, 79; Died, 5.

Present Number, about 500.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 8 ; Other Days, 3. Total, 11.
Private, 4.
Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 18 ; Other Days, 82. Total,
133.
Evening Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 4 ; Other Days, 77. Total,
114.
Sermons, 62. Lectures and other Addresses, 62.
Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 15 ; Female, 23. Total, 38.
Scholars, Male, 72 ; Female, 226. Total, 298.
Bible Classes, apart from the Sunday School, 2. Members, about 30.
Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 8 ; of Catechumens (the
Sunday School).
Daily Parish School, 1, Free. Teacher, Female, 1.
Scholars, Female, limited to 40.
Weekly Sewing School : Teachers, 21 ; Scholars, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion and other Offerings for the
Sick and Needy, \$1,016 42 ; Sunday School, \$421 68 ; Parochial
School (of which \$150 00 through the Sunday School), \$926 30 ; Sunday
School Offerings : For Parish Mission Work, \$250 00 ; for Sewing
School, \$37 00 ; for Chapel Decoration, \$100 00 ; Association for Relief
of Industrious Women, \$525 00 ; Church Almoners' Society, \$207 51 ;
Various Outlays, \$3,535 79. Total..... \$7,019 70

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Residence, \$5,000 00 ; Salary of the Bishop (as-
sessment) and Diocesan Fund, \$191 54 ; Diocesan Missions, \$1,210 00 ;
Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$146 04 ; Church Charity Foundation
of Long Island (of which \$120 00 from Sunday School), \$1,845 00 ; Mis-
sion Work in Prisons and Hospitals, \$130 00. Total..... \$8,522 58

GENERAL : Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, \$15 00 ; Sunday School
Union and Church Book Society, \$161 62 ; Board of Missions : Domestic
Committee, \$7,010 00 ; Other Domestic Missionary Offerings (of which
\$100 00 from the Sunday School), \$900 00 ; Foreign Committee,
\$510 00 ; Other Foreign Offerings (of which \$50 00 from the Sunday
School), \$270 00 ; Feeble Churches, \$850 00 ; Society for the Increase
of the Ministry, \$1,405 38 ; Midnight Mission (of which \$50 00 from the
Sunday School), \$165 00 ; Various Purposes, \$547 75.

Total \$11,834 7

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$27,377

Some of the General Causes and Charities of the Church, usually re-

numbered in this Parish, fail to find mention in this Report of two-thirds the year only.

Besides statistics of money, it may "throw light upon the state of the parish," to say that its benevolent agencies are in reasonably vigorous operation. The oldest Association—that for the Relief of Industrious or Women—has cut out and distributed work to 50 women—in all, 14 pieces. The Sewing School has given material instruction in making 100 garments to 100 poor girls. The youngest Association—the Arch Almoners' Society—has collected or made, and distributed at home and in various parts of the land, 601 pieces and 180 yards of mate-

GUION CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 5; Infants, 6. Total, 11.

Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1. Burials, 6.

Communicants: Admitted, 18; Removed, 5.

Present Number, 28.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 2.

Sunday School: Teachers, 6; Scholars, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$13 50; Collected by the Rector towards the erection of the Chapel, \$7,000 00.

Total \$7,013 50

DIOCESAN: Diocesan Fund, \$2 00; Diocesan Missions, \$15 00.

Total \$17 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$7,030 50

On the 14th day of October, 1869, a Parish was organized in conformity with the revised law of the State of New York—to be known in law by the name and title of Guion Church, Brooklyn. The corner stone of the Chapel was laid in October by Bishop Littlejohn, being assisted by several Clergymen of the city. The unpleasant, and for a Clergyman unsuitable work of raising the money by personal application, and planning and superintending the work of erecting the building, fell upon the Rector. The work of the Chapel was pressed forward with all possible speed, till the edifice was enclosed and the basement finished. This Chapel is a neat Gothic structure, 90 feet by 42, having a basement above ground under the entire building, which is furnished in a neat and cheerful manner. There is a hall across the basement, communicating on the right with a

room 47 feet by 38, and on the left with two rooms, each 20 feet square, one for the Infant Class, the other for a Bible Class and a Parish School. Two other small rooms, one for a Vestry, the other for a coal room, fill up the basement. The large room was formally opened for Divine Services on Quinquagesima Sunday, February 27th, 1870, by the Bishop of the Diocese. The Chapel, to seat 500, has thus far cost \$8,000, nearly \$7,000 of which has been collected in Brooklyn and New York by the Rev. Alvah Guion, and paid on the building, to complete which will require \$4,000 more. It is our earnest hope and prayer that the amount may soon be contributed; the Congregation is rapidly increasing, and more room will be wanted soon.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Charles H. Hall, D.D., Rector.
The Rev. Reeve Hobbie, Assistant Minister.
The Rev. George G. Hepburn, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms: Adults, 12; Infants, 18. Total, 30.
Confirmed, 49. Marriages, 11. Burials, 13.
Communicants: Present number, 550.
Sunday School: Teachers, 54.
Scholars, 334.
Public Catechetical Instruction: Monthly.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$1,150 00; Sunday School, \$958 90; Organ Fund, \$1,300 00; Third Sunday Collections, \$664 45.
Total \$4,073 35
DIOCESAN: Episcopal Residence Fund, \$5,300 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$230 00; Diocesan Missions, \$1,390 04; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$1,450 00. Total.....\$8,370 04
GENERAL: Board of Missions, \$1,567 60; Ladies Benevolent Society, \$475 25. Total..... \$2,042 85
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$14,486 24

A society of ladies of the Congregation was organized in the Fall, and have done good service in assisting the Missionaries of the Church.

CHURCH OF THE MEDIATOR, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William Henry Reid, Rector.
Families, 58; Individuals, 250.
Baptisms: Adults, 7; Infants, 20. Total, 27.

Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4.

Communicants: Admitted, 13; Received, 11; Removed, 5; Died, 1.

Present Number, 103.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 9; Other Days, 1. Total, 10.

Private, 6.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 2; Other Days, 19.

Total, 54.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 2; Other Days, 33.

Total, 68.

Sermons, 68. Lectures and other Addresses, 97.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 7; Female, 13. Total, 20.

Scholars, Male, 60; Female, 120. Total, 180.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$87 91; Sunday School, \$45 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$200 00. Total..... \$332 91

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$10 00. Total \$10 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$342 91

Total Offerings from every source, exclusive of those mentioned in Schedule, \$2,408 63.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Richard B. Duane, D.D., Rector.

Families, 95; Individuals, 437.

Baptisms: Infants, 14.

Confirmation appointed for May 26th. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4.

Communicants: (On September 16, 1869, when the present Rector entered upon his duties, 154, as nearly as can be ascertained.)

Received, 28; Removed, 28. Present Number, 154.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 7; Other Days, 1. Total, 8.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 7; Other Days, 2.

Total, 42.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 35; Holy Days, 9; Other Days, 28.

Total, 72.

Sermons, 72. Lectures and other Addresses, 39.

Sunday School: Teachers, 32.

Scholars, 224.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$200 42; Sunday School,

\$242 18; Various Parish expenses (including Rector's Salary and all ordinary expenses), \$11,999 13. Total..... \$12,441 73

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$112 77; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, 1868-9, \$140 00, 1869-70, \$70 00, \$210 00; Diocesan Fund, 1868-9, \$60 00, 1869-70, \$50 00, \$110 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$38 30; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$92 00.

Total \$563 07

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Missions, \$47 00; Foreign Missions, \$89 29; Graham Home, Brooklyn, \$50 00; Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$23 14. Total..... \$209 43

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$13,214 23

In the amount returned for various Parish expenses are included the following: Floating Debt, due on April 1, 1869, \$2,190, and improvements on the Church building, \$1,384 00. At Easter the entire Floating Debt of the Parish, amounting to nearly \$7,400, was canceled. To God be the praise.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. W. M. Postlethwaite, Rector.

Families, 320; Individuals, 1,600.

Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 10. Total, 14.

Confirmed, 24. Marriages, 7. Burials, 13.

Communicants: Admitted, 24; Received, 16; Removed, 14; Died, 3.

Present Number, 202.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 12; Other Days, 1. Total 13.

Private, 3.

Morning Prayer: Sundays 52; Holy Days, 2; Other Days, 1. Total, 55.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52; Other Days, 22. Total, 74.

Sermons, 94. Lectures and other Addresses, 86.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 17; Female, 33. Total, 50.

Scholars, Total, 523.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

GENERAL: \$145 00. Total..... \$4,370 87

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$4,515 87

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Edward Jessup, Rector.

The Rev. Ferris Tripp (Deacon), Assistant.

Families, 100.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; Infants, 17. Total, 20.

Marriages, 7. Burials, 9.

Communicants: Admitted, 12; Received, 27; Removed, 41; Died, 3.

Present Number, about 200.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 11; Other Days, 1. Total, 12.

Private, 3.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 25; Other Days, 54.

Total, 112.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 17; Other Days, 36.

Total, 86.

Sermons, 77.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 8; Female, 10. Total, 18.

Scholars, Male, 75; Female, 85. Total, 160.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 30.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$200 76; Sunday School, 143 25; Weekly Offertory, \$514 30; Sunday School Offerings, \$411 80; Easter Offerings, for a new Church fence, \$168 54; from the Ladies' Association, \$990 18; from the Parochial Association, \$245 00; Special subscriptions and Collections, \$953 11. Total..... \$3,626 94

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$35 00; Diocesan Fund, 25 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$26 65; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$100 00. Total..... \$186 65

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$70 00.

Total \$70 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$3,883 59

This Parish, not having received the usual annual visitation of the Bishop up to the date of the present Report, there are no Confirmations in the record, as, for the same reason, nothing appears among the Offerings or Diocesan Missions. Chiefly through the Offerings of the Sunday school, a substantial iron fence, which formerly enclosed the grounds of Old St. Ann's Church, has been purchased and set up around our Church. As in past years, we have continued to be greatly indebted to the women of the Parish for important aid.

CHURCH OF THE REFORMATION, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Darius Richmond Brewer, Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; Infants, 5. Total, 8.

Confirmed, 23. Burials, 5.

COMMUNICANTS: Admitted, 10; Received, 20; Removed, 9; Died, 3.
Present Number, 140.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 13; Female, 18. Total, 31.
Scholars, Male, 77; Female, 94. Total, 171.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 8.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$100 34; Sunday School, \$123 23; Sunday School Offerings, \$110 45; Organ Fund, &c., \$742 64; by Church Aid Society, \$1,320 20. Total \$2,496 86

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$25 00; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00; Diocesan Missions, \$30 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$38 00. Total.... \$123 00

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$58 41; Church Missionary Society, \$42 00; Midnight Mission, \$12 00.

Total \$112 41

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$2,732 27

ST. ANN'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck, D.D., Rector.

Families, 430; Individuals, 2,000.

Baptisms: Adults, 12; Infants, 73. Total, 85.

Confirmed, 52. Marriages, 14. Burials, 23.

Communicants; Admitted, 64; Received, 70; Removed, 62; Died, 14.
Present Number, 562.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 16; Other Days, 4. Total, 20.
Private, 4.

Morning Prayer: Every Sunday.

Evening Prayer: Every Sunday.

Daily Prayer from Advent to Ascension Day in conjunction with Holy Trinity and Grace Church. Daily Prayer in St. Ann's during Lent.

Sermons: 2 every Sunday; Lectures and other Addresses, average 2 per week.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 34; Female, 69. Total, 103.

Scholars, Male, 244; Female, 468. Total, 712.

Public Instruction: Twice per month.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$961 41; Sunday School, \$758 96; Sunday School Offerings, \$477 61. Total..... \$2,197 98

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, Salary of the Bishop, assessment, Diocesan
nd, \$187 68; Diocesan Missions, \$174 60; Theological Education,
99 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$20 00; other Societies
d Charities, \$1,721 44. Total \$2,402 42

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic and Foreign, \$658 12; vari-
s Societies and Objects, \$4,242 21, Total..... \$4,900 33

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$9,500 73

The above Report is of the two Congregations of St. Ann's, and for the
ven months of the Conventional year of 1869-70.

In Old St. Ann's the Rev. Henry Webbe has had pastoral charge since
t November, assisted for a time by the Rev. Henry V. Degen.

A class of 50 Candidates is now awaiting Confirmation.

The New St. Ann's, on the Heights, was opened with appropriate
igious services on the 20th of October ult.

The Rev. Henry C. Mayer was the Assistant Minister in St. Ann's on
: Heights, from September, 1869, until Easter, 1870.

The Rev. Oliver S. Taylor has since rendered occasional service.

The Congregation of St. Ann's has contributed nearly \$40,000 this
ring, toward the extinguishment of the Church debt.

Last November the ladies realized by a Bazaar, some \$7,000 toward
ishing the new Church.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Chas W. Homer, Rector.

amilies, 225.

aptisms: Adults, 8; Infants, 28. Total, 36.

arriages, 6. Burials, 10.

ommunicants: Added, 65; Removed, 22; Died, 5.

Present number, 320.

oly Communion: Public, Sundays, 9; Other Days, 2. Total, 11.

Private, often as occasion offered.

orning Prayer: Sundays, all; Daily in Lent; Wednesdays, all.

vening Prayer: Sundays, all; Daily in Lent; Fridays, all.

rmons, 71. Lectures, on Friday evenings.

unday School; Teachers, 68; Officers, 11. Total, 79.

Scholars, Total, 504.

ublic Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 9.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$556 24; Sunday School,

\$520 00; St. James' Benevolent Society, \$651 23; St. James' Brotherhood, \$877 85. Total \$2,605 32

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$140 00; Diocesan Fund, \$45 00; Diocesan Missions, in part, \$50 50; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$206 58; Mission Work in Public Institutions, \$43 20; Episcopal Residence, \$2,000. Total..... \$2,485 28

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$667 36; Home Missions to Colored People, \$40 00; for Florida (through Rev. Dr. Harold), \$1,001 05; Sunday School Offerings for Missionary Purposes, \$942 87.

Total \$2,651 28

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$7,741 88

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Jacob William Diller, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 5 (1 clinic); Infants, 67 (14 clinic). Total, 72.

Confirmed, 19. Marriages, 20. Burials, 25.

Communicants: Admitted, 15; Received, 21; Names Erased, 46; Died, 3. Present Number, 292.

Holy Communion: On all days for which there is a Collect, Epistle and Gospel, except Good Friday and the National Thanksgiving Day.

Private, 6.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 24; Other Days, 289. Total, 365.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 60; Holy Days, 24; Other Days, 142. Total, 226.

Sermons, 115. Lectures and other Addresses, every Friday and twice a week in Lent.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 20. Total, 26.

Scholars, Male, 73; Female, 102. Total, 175.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Monthly.

Bible Class: Weekly.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, exclusive of Easter, \$261 42; Sunday School, \$225 00; Special Offerings for Poor, \$65 50; Sunday School Offerings, Easter, \$35 79; Payment of Floating Debt, \$1,700 00; St. Luke's Benevolent Society, including proceeds of Fair, \$453 50; Ordinary Expenses since Convention in September, about \$3,325 00. Total..... \$6,066 21

DIOCESAN : Diocesan Fund, \$30 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$22 99 ; Special, for St. Michael's Church, \$44 75.

Total \$97 74

GENERAL : Midnight Mission in New York, \$48 73 ; Missions in South and West, Easter Offerings, \$139 27 ; Special, for Missions in Michigan, \$85 50. Total..... \$273 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$6,437 45

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William T. Fitch, Rector.

Families, 130.

Baptisms : Adults, 2 ; Infants, 9. Total, 11.

Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3.

Communicants : Admitted, 3 ; Received, 18 ; Removed, 5 ; Died, 1.
Present Number, 115.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 8 ; Other Days, 5. Total, 13.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 34 ; Holy Days, 20. Total, 54.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 34 ; Holy Days, 20 ; Other Days, 20.
Total, 74.

Sermons, 30. Lectures and other Addresses, 15.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 5 ; Female, 9. Total, 14.

Scholars, Male, 55 ; Female, 65. Total, 120.

Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 7 ; Catechumens, 100.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$87 50 ; for Sunday School from Communion Alms, \$96 90 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$50 00 ; Sunday School, for Organ, \$155 00 ; Chancel Window and Bell, \$60 00 ; Proceeds of Fair for Repairs of Church, \$1,125 00 ; Parochial Aid Society for seven months, \$965 00. Total..... \$2,539 40

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$29 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$29 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$44 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$17 00 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$12 17.

Total..... \$131 17

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Foreign Committee, \$13 25.

Total..... \$13 25

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$2,683 82

The present Rector took charge of the Parish in December last, but the above Report includes the whole Conventional year.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Daniel V. M. Johnson, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 11; Infants, 36. Total, 47.

Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 13. Burials, 42.

Communicants: Admitted, 30; Received, 9; Removed, 14; Died, 4
Present Number, 498.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 13; Other Days, 3. Total, 16.
Private, 20.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 14; Other Days, 172.
Total, 219.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 14; Other Days, 42.
Total, 89.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 35. Total, 41.

Scholars, Male, 125; Female, 230. Total, 355.

Public Catechetical Instruction; No. of Times, 12; Catechumens, all the
School.

Daily Parish School: one.

Teachers, Female, 1.

Scholars, Male, 13; Female, 13. Total, 26.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$500 38; Sunday School,
\$62 60; Parochial School, \$40 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$439 03;
Repairs and Expenses, exclusive of Salaries, \$2,887 02.

Total \$3,929 03

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$75 00; Diocesan Fund,
\$45 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$59 96; Church Charity
Foundation of Long Island, \$213 77. Total..... \$393 73

GENERAL: St. Paul's Church, Muskegan, Mich., \$88 50; Mission to the
Jews, \$34 57; Seamen's Mission, \$132 49. Total..... \$255 56

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$4,578 32

We have a Branch School in the eastern section of the Parish, with Superintendent, 7 Teachers, and about 75 Scholars. Connected with this work is a Sewing School on Saturday afternoon, which numbers 100 Girls and 6 or 7 Teachers; also, a Mothers' Meeting on Thursday evenings, and a Bible Class on Wednesday evenings. I am largely indebted to Mr. H. B. Cornwell, now a Candidate for Holy Orders, for valuable assistance in carrying on these works in the Parish, and a few devoted and zealous ladies.

St. Mary's has been presented with a beautiful East Window of stained glass, executed by Fredericks, of this city. It is the gift of Mr. John A. Cross, in memory of his father, a Vestryman of St. Mary's for a number of years.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. Charles S. Williams, Rector.

Baptisms : Adults, 5 ; Infants, 19. Total, 24.
 Marriages, 4. Burials, 11.
 Communicants : Admitted, 1 ; Received, 14 ; Removed, 2 ; Died, 3.
 Present Number, about 110.
 Holy Communion : Monthly and on the Greater Festivals.
 Private, 4.
 Morning Prayer : Total, 35.
 Evening Prayer : Total, 42.
 Sermons, 67. Lectures and other Addresses, 20.
 Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 4 ; Female, 19. Total, 23.
 Scholars : Total, 300.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$105 79 ; Sunday School, \$150 00 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$125 00 ; Additional for the Poor, \$50 00. Total..... \$430 79
DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$10 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$10 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$8 25 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$19 00. Total.... \$47 25
GENERAL : Board of Missions : Home Missions to Colored People, \$14 00 ; for Missionary at Clarksville, Tenn., \$25 67.
 Total..... \$39 67
TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$517 71

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. T. Stafford Drowne, D.D., Rector.

Families, 180 ; Individuals, 850.
 Baptisms : Adults, 4 ; Infants, 20. Total, 24.
 Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 5. Burials, 12.
 Communicants : Admitted, 12 ; Received, 120 ; Removed, 6 ; Erased, 54 ; Died, 2.
 Present Number, 370.
 Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 8 ; Other Days, 2. Total, 10.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 12 ; Other Days, 34. Total, 79.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 9 ; Other Days, 22. Total, 64.

Sermons, 72. Lectures and other Addresses, 19.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 5 ; Female, 25. Total, 30.

Scholars : Male, 109 ; Female, 105. Total, 214.

Public Catechetical Instruction : Of Catechumens, 214.

Parochial School (Free) : Teachers, Female, 5.

Scholars, Female, 37.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$239 90 ; Sunday School, \$331 50 ; Industrial School, \$35 00 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$108 50 ; On Account of the Building Fund, \$3,075 00 ; Parochial Aid Society Receipts, \$784 00 ; Various Purposes, \$2,225 92.

Total..... \$6,799 82

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund and the Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$70 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$44 37 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$31 61 ; Episcopal Residence, \$1,100 00.

Total..... \$1,275 98

GENERAL : Donations to Parishes at the West..... \$100 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$8,175 80

The Ladies of the Congregation have organized a Parochial Aid Society, which has been instrumental in establishing an Industrial School and in aiding materially toward completing the furniture of the chancel, as well as other general Church work.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. John A. Paddock, Rector.

The Rev. B. B. Newton, Assistant Minister.

Families, about 310.

Baptisms : Adults, 11 ; Infants, 49. Total, 60.

Confirmed, 39. Marriages, 24. Burials, 42.

Communicants : Died, 9.

Present Number, about 560, including 51 of the Chapel.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 10 ; Other Days, 2. Total, 12, at

Parish Church. Monthly, at the Chapel.

Morning Prayer : All Sundays.

Evening Prayer: All Sundays. Divine Service on Christmas, Epiphany,
Every Day in Lent, Days designated by Civil Authority,
Each Wednesday Evening.

Sunday Schools: Teachers, Male, 41; Female, 48. Total, 89.

Scholars: Total, 752.

Industrial School (on Saturday Afternoon): Teachers, 9. Girls in At-
tendance, 61.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Communion and other Alms for the Poor, \$864 19; Sun-
day Schools, \$408 67; Sunday School Offerings, \$2,634 64; Enlarging
allery, &c., \$2,885 86. Total..... \$6,793 36

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Residence, \$1,198 00; Salary of the Bishop,
essment, \$70 00; Diocesan Fund, \$60 00; Diocesan Missions, \$140 45;
heological Education, \$133 92; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy,
7 94; Subscriptions for City Mission Work, \$1,148 46.

Total..... \$2,808 77

GENERAL: Distribution of Bible, \$64 40; Evangelical Knowledge So-
ety, \$100 26; Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$101 00;
oreign, \$332 68; Seamen's Mission, \$75 65; Other Church Purposes,
3 50. Total..... \$747 49

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$10,349 62

The Rector thankfully records the unity, Christian affection and readi-
ss to engage in good works prevailing among his people.

Ground has been broken on lots adjoining the Church, and plans have
en adopted, for the erection of a spacious and pleasant Sunday School
uilding.

More has been done than ever before, by the Parishioners, through
sociations and personal visitation, for the benefit of the poor.

The Rev. James S. Barnes, who faithfully labored for four and a half
ears as Assistant Minister, sustaining free services at the Chapel, resigned
s position on the first of May.

By an understanding with the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,
ch Clerical services have been rendered at the City Hospital as have
en called for. The Holy Communion has been there administered, on
fferent occasions, to thirteen persons.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN.

The Rev. William Schouler, Jr., Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 18. Total, 20.

Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 2. Burials, 13.

Communicants : Admitted, 8. Received, 12. Removed, 24. Died, 1.
Present Number, 118.

Holy Communion : 12.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 34 ; Holy Days, All.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 34 ; Holy Days, All ; Other Days, Wednesdays.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 6 ; Female, 14. Total, 20.
Scholars : About 200.

Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 34.

Daily Parish School : 1 (Paid).

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Weekly (Unpledged) Offertory, \$940 88 ; For Sunday School, \$73 88 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$114 90 ; Amount realized by Christmas Entertainments, \$265 03 ; Other Contributions, including \$490 00 towards Liquidation of Debt, \$691 54. Total.... \$2,086 23

DIOCESAN ; Salary of the Bishop, Assessment, \$25 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$10 00. Total..... \$35 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$2,121 23

The system of free seats, with the weekly (unpledged) offertory, continues to work with much smoothness and regularity ; and, considering the length of time during which it has been in operation, no reasonable doubt can be entertained of its entire practicability in the future.

An association for Church work, under the name of "St. Stephen's Guild," with which a "Ladies' Branch" is connected, has been in existence nearly a twelvemonth, and under its auspices a library of considerable size has been collected, and the neighborhood has been laid out in visiting districts. Ample scope is given to the Lay members of the Parish, under this organization, for engaging in works of piety and charity.

ASCENSION CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. Francis Mansfield, Rector.

Families, about 250.

Baptisms : Adults, 11 ; Infants, 45. Total, 56.

Confirmed, 26. **Marriages,** 6. **Burials,** 25.

Communicants : Admitted, 20 ; Received, 3 ; Removed, 3 ; Died, 3.
Present Number, 159.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 8 ; Other Days, 1. Total, 9.
Private, 1.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 9. Total, 42.

Evening Prayer ; Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 15 ; Other Days, 25. Total,

Sermons, 70. Lectures and other Addresses, 24.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 11; Female, 28. Total, 39 in Sunday School. 2 Male Teachers and 3 Female Teachers in Mission School.

Scholars: Male, 176; Female, 219. Total, 395.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 7; of Catechumens, 400.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$66 82; Sunday School, \$175 00; Paying Floating Debt, \$2,000 00; Concert, with Subscriptions, \$150 00; Collections, \$377 15.

Total (not including Pew Rents)..... \$2,758 97

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund (Interest), \$21 00; Salary of the Bishop, Assessment, \$16 68; Diocesan Missions, \$21 25; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$4 49; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, about \$100 00; for Episcopal Residence, about \$200 00.

Total..... \$363 42

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$3,122 39

The Parish has taken a fresh impulse during the last year, and the interest has increased greatly, through the influence of the encouraging remarks made by the Bishop at his last annual visitation.

CALVARY CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. Francis Peck, Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 7; Infants, 33. Total, 40.

Marriages, 8. Burials, 23.

Communicants. Received, 13; Removed, 11. Present Number, 183.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 7; Other Days, 3. Total, 10.
Private, 2.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 29; Holy Days, 4. Total, 33.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 29; Other Days 29. Total, 58.

Sermons, 65. Lectures and other Addresses, 57.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 17; Female, 19. Total, 36.

Scholars, Male, 130; Female, 150. Total, 280.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 31.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$89 19; Sunday School, \$238 31; General Parish Purposes, \$2,951 95.

Total..... \$3,279 45

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$35 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$10 00. Total..... \$45 00

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Missions, \$102 00 ; Theol. Ed. Soc., Phila., \$5 00. Total..... \$107 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$3,431 45

GRACE CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. William S. Chadwell, Rector.

Families, 80. Individuals, 100.

Baptisms : Adults, 5 ; Infants, 20. Total, 25.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 13.

Communicants : Admitted, 5 ; Removed, 2. Present Number, 136.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 7 ; Other Days, 1. Total, 8.

Private, 6.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 15 ; Other Days, 5. Total, 50.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 32 ; Holy Days, 8 ; Other Days, 38. Total, 78.

Sermons, 57. Lectures and other Addresses, 39.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 6 ; Female, 18. Total, 24.

Scholars, Male, 130 ; Female, 155. Total, 285.

Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 7.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$146 65 ; Sunday School, \$42 83 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$60 00 ; Charitable Purposes, \$65 00 ; Rector's Fund, \$150 00. Total..... \$464 48

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$25 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$21 46.

Total..... \$76 46

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$33 56.

Total..... \$33 56

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$574 50

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. Sam'l M. Haskins, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms : Adults, 14 ; Infants, 33. Total, 47.

Confirmed, 31. Marriages, 18. Burials, 11.

Communicants : Admitted, 45 ; Received, 5 ; Removed, 8. Died, 1.

Present Number, 425.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 9; Other Days, 2. Total, 11.
Private, 3.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, all; Holy Days, all; Other Days, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, all; Other Days, daily in Lent.

Sermons or Lectures : from Advent to Easter, and daily in Lent.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 19; Female, 44. Total, 63.

Scholars, Male, 163; Female, 164. Total, 327.

Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, every Sunday.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$304 15; Parochial Aid, \$293 10; Sunday School Offerings, \$151 00; Weekly Offerings, \$794 65; Church Debt (from Sunday School, \$86 05), \$7,508 33; Easter Offering, \$219 00. Total..... \$9,270 23

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Residence, \$350 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$110 00; Diocesan Fund, \$25 00; Diocesan Missions (from Sunday School, \$7 38), \$34 88; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$20 00; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island (from Sunday School, \$7 46), \$56 40. Total..... \$596 28

GENERAL : Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$20 50; Insurance on Life of Rector, \$286 00; Salt Lake Mission (from Sunday School, \$60 84), \$90 84; Domestic Missions, from Sunday School, \$51 25; from Sunday School for General Purposes, \$191 00.

Total..... \$639 59

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$10,506 00

As an explanation of this large amount of Offerings since September last, I will add that on the 17th of October I celebrated the Thirtieth Anniversary of my Rectorship of St. Mark's. I had previously given notice that I would commemorate that event as the anniversary of my marriage to the Parish, and receive the gifts of former and present parishioners, not for myself, but for God's *Sanctuary*, to take away its mortgage to man, and give it wholly unto the Lord; and I am happy to say the desired object was accomplished. More than \$7,500 were laid upon the altar, almost the entire amount being given by those who had once been or were then parishioners. The mortgages were canceled, and the Church is now entirely free from debt. During my Ministry up to that time the statistics as then given were as follows:

Baptized : Infants, 1,245; Adults, 157. Total, 1,402.

Confirmed, 658. Married, 503. Buried, 820.

Added to Communion, 800.

More than one-fifth of all the offerings laid upon the altar during these thirty years, have been given to the aid of other fields.

ZION CHURCH, BROOKLYN, E. D.

The Rev. Henry A. Dows, Rector.

Families, 22; Individuals, 79.

Baptisms: Infants, 7.

Burials, 2.

Communicants: Received, 32; Removed, 1; Died, 1.

Present Number, 30.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 3; Other Days, 1. Total, 4.
Private, 1.

Morning Prayer, Sundays, 28; Holy Days, 6. Total, 34.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 28; Holy Days, 4; Other Days, 6. Total, 38.

Sermons, 60. Lectures and other Addresses, 15.

Sunday School; Teachers, Male, 2; Female, 7. Total, 9.

Scholars, Male, 18; Female, 24. Total, 42.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, about \$192 49; Current Expenses, about \$123 00. Total..... \$315 49

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$5 00; Diocesan Missions, \$1 00. Total..... \$6 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$321 49

CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, CYPRESS HILLS.

The Rev. George Sayres, Rector and Missionary.

Families, 27.

Baptisms: Infants, 6.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.

Communicants: Admitted, 3; Received, 10; Removed, 6; Died, 1.

Present Number, 30.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 3.

Private, 4.

About the beginning of the year, this Parish was deprived of its previous place of worship. Its services have since then been held, and well attended every Sunday morning (also on Good Friday), in the Presbyterian Church at Woodhaven, one mile east of Cypress Hills village. The unsettled state of the Congregation will account for the infrequency of its Sacraments and other services during the past seven and a half months.

Still it is increasing in strength and numbers, with a fair probability of obtaining the help which it needs in erecting for itself an edifice.

TRINITY CHURCH, EAST NEW YORK.

The Rev. Joseph I. Elsegood, Rector.

Families, 66; Individuals, 300.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; Infants, 26. Total, 29.

Confirmed: Special, 1; no general Confirmation. Marriages, 6. Burials, 15.

Communicants: Admitted, 6; Removed, 14; Died, 2.

Present Number, 98.

Holy Communion; Public, Sundays, 12.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 35; Holy Days, 25. Total, 60.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 30; Other Days, 38. Total, 68.

Sermons, 72. Lectures, 16. Addresses, 48.

Sunday School: Teachers, 27.

Scholars, 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$42 85; Sunday School, \$153 02; Ladies' Parish Aid and Sewing Society, \$91 12.

Total..... \$286 99

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$28 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$3 50; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$9 00. Total..... \$55 50

GENERAL: Church Improvement and other Purposes..... \$1,952 87

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$2,295 36

Last Fall, at the request of the Bishop of the Diocese, I visited Carnar-sie and Brownsville, with the view of commencing the services of the Church in these places. It was finally determined to hold stated service in the latter place, and the Bishop sent to my aid Mr. Wm. B. Hooper, at present a student in the Theological Seminary of New York, who has rendered most efficient and successful service. On the Third Sunday in Advent, 1869, and thence onward until the Second Sunday after Easter, 1870, the services of the Church were held in the private residence of Mr. Shaw, in Brownsville. On the last named Sunday, a neat and convenient building, which had been erected for the purpose, capable of seating about 150 persons, was opened by the Bishop of the Diocese, under the most encouraging auspices.

The record of work done here thus far, is—

Divine Service and Sermon, 25 times. Holy Communion, 1.

Baptisms: Infants, 4. Burial, 1.

On the 'Third Sunday after Easter, Mr. Hooper commenced a Sunday School, with 6 Teachers and 35 Scholars.

Already there are here a good choir, an excellent cabinet organ, and a deep interest manifested in the services of the Church. May God, our Heavenly Father, continue to bless the work thus begun, and cause that from the seed here sown, shall spring up and bear much and blessed fruit.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FLATBUSH.

The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Rector.

Families, 60.

Baptisms: Adults, 5; Infants, 17. Total, 22.

Confirmed, 23 (in Church, 10, Hospital and Almshouse, 13).

Marriages, 1. Burials, 9.

Communicants: Admitted, 11; Received, 8; Removed, 5.

Present Number, 96.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 15; Other Days, 2. Total, 17.

Private, 15.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, all; Other Days, Wednesdays and Fridays, and Daily in Lent.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 52.

Sermons, 110. Lectures and other Addresses, on the Holy Days and Fridays in Lent.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 12; Catechumens, 90.

Daily Parish School: Teachers, 2
Scholars, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Pew Rents: Taken at the Holy Communion, \$111 20; Sunday School, \$100 00; Special Sunday Offerings for Nazareth, \$93 50; Rector's Fund and other Special Payments, \$1,000 00; other Collections than Pew Rents, \$122 00. Total, \$2,063 96

Donations: Taken at the Holy Communion, \$68 00; Diocesan Fund, \$100 00; General Mission, \$25 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$25 00; General Church Fund of Long Island, \$224 00; for the Episcopal Association, \$100 00. Total, \$632 32

Total of Contributions, \$2,696 28

As the year of the Diocese ended on July seven months, from the beginning of the year to the end of the year, the contributions for General Purposes have been \$2,696 28, and will be made in due time, and reported at the next year's conference.

The increasing calls and claims upon the Rector's time and labors, from the twenty-five hundred inmates of the Kings County Institutions, make it very desirable that at an early period he should have clerical assistance, in this important and promising field of interest and effort. Meanwhile, as well as for the future, he would acknowledge gratefully the quiet, kind and efficient aid in this good work, from an earnest Christian woman, who, under the auspices of the Bishop and the Missionary Committee, has her chosen field of labor in these County Institutions.

He has also gratefully to acknowledge the kind assistance of the Clergy of Brooklyn, in maintaining an afternoon Sunday service in the Asylum, under the Superintendence of Dr. Chapin, with the valuable aid of the Physicians of the Hospital and Asylum, in the animated music of the services.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FORT HAMILTON.

The Rev. Henry Emerson Hovey, Rector.

Families, 38 ; Individuals, 119.

Baptisms : Adults, 2 ; Infants, 4. Total, 6.

Burials, 4.

Communicants : Received, 3 ; Removed, 6. Present Number, 37.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 9 ; Other Days, 1. Total, 10.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 16 ; Other Days, 5.
Total, 54.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 30 ; Holy Days, 5 ; Other Days, 8. Total, 43.

Sermons, 57. Lectures and other Addresses, 5.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 1 ; Female, 5. Total, 6.

Scholars, Male, 13 ; Female, 24. Total, 37.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$89 25 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$12 57. Total..... \$101 82

DIOCESAN : Diocesan Fund, \$15 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$3 00. Total..... \$18 00

GENERAL : To Missions in general, \$7 50. Total..... \$7 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$127 32

This Church has been made free at all evening services. In consequence the evening congregations are rather larger than they were before.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GREENFIELD.

The Rev. R. B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Minister in Charge.

In this Church a morning service has been regularly maintained by Lay Reading during the past year. The statistics are not easily obtained, as

this Parish is within the town of Flatbush, and a part of the Cure of the Rector of St. Paul's Church in that village. The record of official acts has been made in the Register of St. Paul's, Flatbush, a regularly organized Parish under a Vestry and with a Rector. It is believed the time is near at hand for procuring a lot, with a view to building a Chapel at an early period.

QUEENS COUNTY.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, ASTORIA.

The Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, Rector.

Families, 77 ; Individuals, 321.

Baptisms : Infants, 13.

Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants : Admitted, 15 ; Received, 17 ; Removed, 11 ; Died, 1.

Present Number, 134.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 9 ; Other Days, 1. Total, 10.
Private, 1.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 34 ; Holy Days, 22 ; Other Days, 5.
Total, 61.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 36 ; Other Days, 41. Total, 77.

Sermons, 62. Lectures and other Addresses, 23.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 4 ; Female, 14. Total, 18.

Scholars, Male, 41 ; Female, 81. Total, 122.

Public Catechetical Instruction : Monthly.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$194 08 ; Sunday School, \$171 00 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$359 92 ; other Parish Purposes, \$3,071 00. Total..... \$3,796 00

DIOCESAN : Episcopal Fund, \$20 00 ; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$22 50 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 00 ; Diocesan Missions, \$47 20 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$37 00 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$20 00. Total..... \$176 70

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$100 00 ; Foreign Committee, \$35 85. Total..... \$135 85

TOATL OF OFFERINGS..... \$4,108 55

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ASTORIA.

The Rev. Robert William Harris, D.D., Rector.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Sunday School, \$224 43; Sunday School Offerings, \$82 67. Total \$307 10

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$105 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, and interest on bond, \$175 00; Diocesan Fund, \$22 50; Fund for aged and Infirm Clergy, \$118 82; Episcopal Residence, \$236 00.

Total \$552 32

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$236 52; Foreign Committee, \$162 19; American Church Missionary Society, \$100 00; Evangelical Education Society, \$165 89. Total..... \$664 60

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$1,524 02

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COLD SPRING HARBOR.

The Rev. Thomas R. Harris, Minister.

Families and parts of Families, 65; Individuals (Baptized), 164.

Baptisms: Adults, 12; Infants, 26. Total, 38.

Burials, 6.

Communicants: Present Number, 66.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 10.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 28; Other Days, 22. Total, 50.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 16; Other Days, 6. Total, 22.

Sermons, 46. Lectures and other Addresses, 18.

Sunday School: Teachers, 6.

Scholars, 56.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Every Sunday Morning before Service, and at least Monthly at the Afternoon Service.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$44 46; Sunday School's Christmas Festival, \$55 28. Total..... \$99 74

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Residence, from *two Members*, \$600 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$8 53; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$16 35. Total..... \$624 88

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$724 62

This Report covers the period from October 1 to May 1, when the writer resigned his position as Minister of St. John's, to accept the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Morrisania, N. Y. During this time, monthly services have been maintained at Syosset, and during a part of this time services have been held in the Union Chapel at Woodbury. During Lent, a service was held on Wednesday evening in the Baptist Chapel in the village, about one mile distant. All of these services showed conclusively that the people of this part of Queens and Suffolk Counties are eager to share in our worship and to hear of that Church which the Blessed Lord has established. Old prejudices are dying out, and many of those who have been baptized and gathered into the fold in this Parish, were brought up in ignorance of His Church. I cannot close this Report without saying that the future of this Parish is full of encouragement, and that the writer feels deeply how much he is indebted to the cordial co-operation of the members of the Parish. Within the past twelve months 18 adults and 135 children have been baptized, while the average of baptisms for the past twenty years has been only four or five a year.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, COLLEGE POINT.

(A Mission of St. George's Church, Flushing.)

At Present Vacant.

Families, 46; Individuals, 203.

Baptisms: Infants, 3.

Marriages, 1.

Communicants: Present Number, 135.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 7; Other Days, 1. Total, 8.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 3; Other Days, 1. Total, 37.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 31; Other Days, 7. Total, 38.

Sermons, 73. Lectures and other Addresses, 1.

Sunday School: Officers, 4; Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 18. Total, 28.

Scholars, Male, 149; Female, 157. Total, 306.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 33.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$7 50; Sunday Collections, \$337 95. Total..... \$345 45

DIOCESAN: Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy..... 7 70

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$353 15

Since the 25th of November last there has been no resident Minister at College Point. The stated services have been sustained by the Rector of

George's, Flushing, and his assistant. Upon several occasions valuable aid has been rendered by the Rev. S. D. Denison, D.D., and the Rev. Benjamin H. Abbott.

There has been a constant increase in the size of the congregation.

Through Lent there was service each Wednesday evening, with sermon by the Rector. These week-day services awakened much interest, and were remarkably well attended.

The offerings at all Sunday services are necessarily applied towards the support of the Mission. The Communion Alms reported were contributed on Christmas Day, and the collection for the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy was made on Thanksgiving Day.

The large and flourishing Sunday School attached to this Mission, under the superintendence of Mr. H. A. Bogert, is a power for good in the village. The amount of Sunday School Offerings could not be obtained, owing to the absence of its Treasurer.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, FLUSHING.

The Rev. J. C. Smith, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms: Adults, 5; Infants, 23. Total, 28.

Marriages, 10. Burials, 13.

Communicants: Admitted, 10; Received, 11; Removed, 13; Died, 4.
Present Number, about 300.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 8; Other Days, 1. Total, 9.
Private, 6.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 7; Other Days, 17. Total, 57.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 45; Holy Days, 3; Other Days, 19. Total, 67.

Sermons, 88. Lectures and other Addresses, 17.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 34; Female, 40. Total, 74.

Scholars, Male, 288; Female, 383. Total, 671.

Public Catechetical Instruction; No. of Times, 7; Catechumens, 50.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$243 47; Sunday School, 300 00. Total..... \$543 47

DIOCESAN: Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$80 00; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$100 00. Total..... \$180 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$723 47

The children of the Congregation meet in the Church on the afternoon of every Sunday for instruction in the Catechism and the Church Service

and Singing, embracing the chants and musical portions of the Service. In this the Rector is assisted by two very efficient and earnest communicants of the Church—a lady and gentleman. On the first Sunday afternoon in every month the full Evening Service is held in the Church for the Children, with public examination and instruction in the Catechism.

It is much regretted, that from the failure of sufficient data of contributions for Parish and Sunday School purposes to reach the Rector, the Report is very deficient.

The Rector can confidently report an increased spirit for Church and Parish work in the Congregation, manifested in unostentatious but earnest effort on the part of the people of the Parish.

TOWN FARM MISSION OF ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, FLUSHING.

The Rev. Joshua Kimber, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. George's Church, and Missionary.

Families, 7 ; Individuals, 40, including Inmates.

Baptisms : Infants, 1.

Burials, 2.

Communicants : Present Number, 12.

Holy Communion : All commune in the Parish Church.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 33.

Sermons, 33.

Sunday School : Officers, 2 ; Teachers, Male, 3 ; Female, 7. Total, 12.

Scholars, Male, 30 ; Female, 38. Total, 68.

Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 33.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Sunday School, \$34 15 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$21 28 ;
Raised by Sale of Useful and Fancy Articles, \$457 90.

Total \$513 33

DIOCESAN : Diocesan Missions, from Sunday School, \$4 65 ; Fund for
Aged and Infirm Clergy, from Congregation, \$3 80.

Total \$8 45

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Foreign Committee \$16 65

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$538 43

The third year of this Christian enterprise closed upon the second Sunday in Lent (March 13). The question of its success has long since been settled. Did it serve no other purpose, the opportunity afforded to the

town poor for participating in public worship, would demand its continued vigorous prosecution. Its pecuniary support has recently been assumed by the Brotherhood of St. George's Parish, who propose, as rapidly as may be possible, to enlarge its sphere of usefulness.

Of the amount realized last Autumn by the sale of useful and ornamental articles, prepared by the ladies connected with the Mission, \$100 was presented to the Missionary in charge, and \$90 expended for a Cabinet Organ. The balance in hand will soon be applied to the purchase of Church furniture.

It is proposed, at no distant day, to erect a Chapel, to which object substantial pledges have already been made.

The Minister in charge has, since November 28th last, also been officiating at St. Paul's Chapel, College Point. He has, moreover, assisted and officiated in the Parish Church upon 28 occasions. He has preached in all 71 times.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GLEN COVE.

The Rev. Thomas Mallaby, Rector.

Families, 69 ; Individuals, 278.

Baptisms: Infants, 4.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 3.

Communicants : Admitted, 5 ; Received, 6 ; Removed, 4 ; Died, 1.

Present Number, 78.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 7 ; Other Days, 1. Total, 8.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 10 ; Other Days, 1. Total,

44.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 6. Total, 39.

Sermons, 34. Lectures and other Addresses, 16.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 3 ; Female, 5. Total, 8.

Scholars, 40.

Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 7 ; Catechumens, 20.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$34 17 ; Sunday School, for Christmas Tree, \$33 62. Total..... \$67 79

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$25 38 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$24 62 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, for Printing Press, \$10 00, General Fund, \$6 10, \$16 10.

Total..... \$66 10

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$133 89

During the past six months, a Sunday School, under the care of several competent Teachers, has been conducted at the "Lattingtown Chapel," two and a half miles from the Parish Church, with very encouraging prospects. I have visited the same once a month, and on most of the occasions found the Chapel well filled. The services at these visits have been the Evening Prayer and Sermon, with an Address to the Scholars. On Christmas afternoon some fifty children were favored with gifts from the Christmas Tree, generously provided by the Teachers. As an item of some interest, it may be noted that this School, with a limited number of Scholars, had been in charge of the Methodist Society of the place, but the interest was not sustained, and so passed, with the approval of that body, into the hands of our own people.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH, HEMPSTEAD.

The Rev. William H. Moore, Rector.

Baptisms : Infants, 10.

Marriages, 4. Burials, 10.

Communicants : Admitted, 1 ; Received, 6 ; Removed, 3 ; Died, 3.

Present Number, 190.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 14.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 47 ; Holy Days, 5. Total, 52.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 47 ; Other Days, 29. Total, 76.

Sermons, 93. Lectures and other Addresses, 83.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 4 ; Female, 18. Total, 22.

Scholars, 183.

Public Catechetical Instruction : No. of Times, 9 ; Catechumens, 36.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$53 87 ; Sunday School, \$20 13 ; Parish Library, \$21 90. Total..... \$95 90

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$35 82 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$13 55. Total..... \$49 37

GENERAL : N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$15 83 ; Sunday School Union and Church Book Society, \$19 22.

Total..... \$35 05

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$180 32

In the eight months which have elapsed since the last Convention, not all the usual objects of collection have received our customary attention, in consequence of my protracted illness.

GRACE CHURCH, JAMAICA.

The Rev. William L. Johnson, D. D. Rector.

The Rev. Thomas Cook, Assistant Minister.

Families, 121; Individuals, about 450.

Baptisms: Adults, 3; Infants, 12. Total, 15.

Confirmed, 27. Marriages, 7. Burials, 8.

Communicants: Admitted, 31; Removed, 2; Died, 1.

Present Number, 244.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 8; Other Days, 1. Total, 9.

Private, 5.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 34.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 96.

Sermons, 103. Lectures and other Addresses, 14.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 18. Total, 24.

Scholars, Male, 84; Female, 110. Total, 194.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 8.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$97 57.

Total..... \$97 57

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$70 00; Diocesan Fund, \$18 00; Fund

for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$40 00. Total..... \$128 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$225 57

ZION CHURCH, LITTLE NECK, FLUSHING.

The Rev. Henry M. Beare, Rector.

Families, 110.

Baptisms: Infants, 16.

Marriages, 9. Burials, 11.

Communicants: Present Number, 107.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, Monthly.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, weekly and on principal Fasts and Festivals.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, " " " "

Total, 120.

Sunday School: Teachers, 16. Scholars, 70.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Church Papers, \$30 00; Incidental Church Expenses, \$170 78. Total..... \$200 78

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$35 00; Diocesan Fund, \$20 00; Diocesan Missions; \$52 17; Theological Education, \$15 50;

Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$40 49; Subscriptions towards Residence for the Bishop, \$500 00. Total..... \$663 16

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Home Missions to Colored People, \$23 80; (Good Friday) Mission to the Jews, N. Y., \$20 15; Nashotah, Wis., Mission, \$40 49; for the Poor, about..... \$200 00
Total \$284 44

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,148 38

From the Rector's Annual Pastoral Report, which runs from May, 1869, to May, 1870, he extracts that during that time he distributed gratuitously 8 Bibles, 12 Prayer Books, 163 bound volumes, 200 paper covered books, 16,716 pages of tracts, and 3,382 religious papers, and made 955 pastoral visits.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LONG ISLAND CITY.

The Rev. Wm. H. Neilson, Jr., Rector.

Families, 83; Individuals, 300.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 16. Total, 18.

Marriages. 4. Burials, 6.

Communicants; Received, 5; Removed, 4; Died, 1.

Present Number, 45.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 7; Other Days, 1. Total, 8.

Private, 2.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 4; Other Days, 1.
Total, 38.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 57; Holy Days, 3; Other Days, 1.
Total, 61.

Sermons, 77. Lectures and other Addresses, 42.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 3; Female, 7. Total, 10.

Scholars, Male, 71; Female, 89. Total, 160.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 8; Catechumens, 80.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$31 88; Sunday School, \$76 67; Sunday School Offerings, \$50 06; Weekly Offertory, \$54 65; Collected towards Church Expenses, \$47 88. Total..... \$261 14

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$20 83; Diocesan Fund, \$10 50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$14 88.

Total..... \$46 21

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$13 14; American Bible Society, \$26 51; Evangelical Education Society, \$17 00.

Total \$56 65

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$364 00

Services are still held in the German language on the evening of the first Sunday in each month (and oftener, as occasion may require), by the Rev. Dr. Staudenmayer, in the Church. The afternoon services in the village of Dutch Kills are continued by the Rector every Sunday. The prospects of the Parish were never brighter.

CHRIST CHURCH, MANHASSET.

The Rev. James E. Homans, Rector.

Families, 106.

Baptisms: Infants, 5.

Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 5. Burials, 9.

Communicants: Admitted, 7; Received, 4; Removed, 1; Died, 2.

Present Number, 159.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 9; Other Days, 2. Total, 11.

Private, 3.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 32; Holy Days, 2; Other Days, 2.

Total, 36.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 30.

Sermons, 62. Lectures and other Addresses, 22.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 7; Female, 18. Total, 25.

Scholars, Male, 53; Female, 80. Total, 133.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 6.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$77 54; Sunday School, \$38 80; Ladies' Society, \$21 20; Sunday School Offerings, \$84 00; Church Debt and Interest, \$1,680 45; Parish Offerings, \$113 18; Other Purposes, \$339 00. Total..... \$2,354 17

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$42 00; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$56 00; Diocesan Fund, \$12 00; Residence for the Bishop, \$246 00.

Total..... \$356 00

GENERAL: Evangelical Knowledge Society (Books and Papers), \$55 00; American Church Missionary Society, \$66 30; Mission Work in Tennessee, \$15 00; Bishop Vail (Mission in Kansas), \$95 00.

Total..... \$231 30

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$2,941 47

The Church debt remaining, after the expenditure of over fifteen thousand dollars in enlarging the Church last year, has been considerably reduced by payments and subscriptions. It is hoped that the entire amount may be speedily removed, and give opportunity for larger contri-

butions to more general objects. Besides the regular services in the Parish Church and Sunday School, two other Schools are held under the general direction of the Rector at other places. Monthly services are also regularly held in four neighboring villages—Port Washington, Lakeville, Great Neck and the Court House.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NEWTOWN.

The Rev. Samuel Cox, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms : Infants, 11.

Burials, 3.

Communicants : Present Number, about 110.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 9 ; Other Days, 1. Total, 10.

Morning Prayer : Sundays, 33 ; Holy Days, 5 ; Other Days, 6. Total, 44.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 37 ; Other Days, 40. Total, 77.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 2 ; Female, 9. Total, 11.

Scholars, 120.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$128 14 ; Sunday School, \$100 16 ; Other Purposes, \$25 00. Total..... \$253 30

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$30 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$27 00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$46 30 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$32 41. Total..... \$135 71

GENERAL : New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$38 71 ; Sunday School Union and Church Book Society, \$47 22 ; Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$196 72 ; Bishop Morris, \$500 00 ; Fairbault Mission, \$31 37 ; L. I. Bible Society, \$27 14.

Total..... \$841 16

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,230 17

Besides the regular Sunday morning and evening service in the Parish Church, services are held on alternate Sunday afternoons at Woodside, two miles distant. There being no public building or hall, the services are held in the parlors of the residents. The attendance is always good. A Sunday School has also been organized there.

CHRIST CHURCH, OYSTER BAY.

The Rev. Richard Graham Hutton, Rector.

Baptisms : Adults, 1 ; Infants, 3. Total, 4.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.

Communicants: Admitted, 13; Removed, 9; Died, 1.

Present Number, 89.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 14; Other Days, 1. Total, 15.

Private, 3.

Morning Prayer: Sundays and Fridays.

Evening Prayer: Sundays and Fridays.

Sermons, Lectures and other Addresses, Sundays and Fridays.

Sunday School: Teachers, 8.

Scholars, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: About \$300 00. Total..... \$300 00

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Residence, \$208 30; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$35 00; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$6 00; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$16 00.

Total..... \$280 30

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$5 42.

Total..... \$5 42

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$585 72

The Rector has been holding service at Syosset, four miles from the Parish Church, on the second Sunday of each month, for eight years, which has generally been well attended. This Mission was formally organized into a congregation, with a vestry, under the Bishop of New York. It has, for a year past, been also favored with a monthly service by the Rector of the Church at Cold Spring. It is hoped that the Missionary Committee of the Diocese may soon place a Missionary there to minister to it, and to care for the Church families scattered about in that neighborhood.

The Parish Library contains 779 volumes. The Congregation have repaired and furnished the interior of the Parsonage.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, RAVENSWOOD.

The Rev. Charles H. Vandyne, Rector.

Families, 26; **Individuals,** 75.

Baptisms: Infants, 1.

Burials, 2.

Communicants: Admitted, 1; Removed, 4; Died, 2.

Present Number, 37.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 9; Other Days, 1. Total 10.

Private, 1.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 33; Holy Days, 5; Other Days, 1.
Total, 39.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 28; Holy Days, 4; Other Days, 15.
Total, 47.

Sermons, 65. Lectures and other Addresses, 10.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 3; Female, 8. Total, 11.

Scholars, Male, 25; Female, 50. Total, 75.

Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 7; Catechumens, 75.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$24 60; Sunday School Offerings, \$40 00; Regular Collections, \$85 00. Total.... \$149 60

DIOCESAN: Diocesan Missions, \$10 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$10 69. Total..... \$20 69

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee..... \$11 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$181 29

TRINITY CHURCH AND CHAPEL, ROCKAWAY.

The Rev. Robert T. Pearson, Rector.

The Rev. Wm. M. Carmichael, D.D., Assistant Minister.

Families, 90; Individuals, 400.

Baptisms: Adults, 4; Infants, 10. Total, 14.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 8.

Communicants: Admitted, 7; Removed, 7; Died, 2.

Present Number, 129.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 9; Other Days, 2. Total, 11.

Private, 2.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 35; Holy Days, 14; Other Days, 1. Total,
50.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 28; Other Days, 11. Total, 39.

Sermons, 70. Lectures and other Addresses, 18.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 6; Female, 12. Total, 18.

Scholars, Male, 50; Female, 80. Total, 130.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Sunday School Library, \$37 73. Total.... \$37 73

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$15 00; Diocesan Fund, \$7 50; Amount subscribed to Diocesan Missions by Mr. Jos. Hewlett, \$20 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$13 43; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$15 88. Total..... \$71 81

GENERAL : Board of Missions : Domestic Committee, \$17 23 ; Foreign Committee, \$10 00. Total..... \$27 23

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$136 77

The Rector regrets that he is not able to report a contribution towards the purchase of an Episcopal residence. He hopes to do so at the next Convention.

This report is in other respects unsatisfactory, partly from the change of the time of the meeting of the Church in Convention from the Autumn to the Spring, and partly from circumstances which, in the order of God's Providence will, the Rector hopes, change for the better.

TRINITY CHURCH, ROSLYN.

The Rev. S. A. McNulty, Rector.

Families and parts of Families, 16.

Baptisms : Adults, 15 ; Infants, 35. Total, 50.

Confirmed, 24. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4.

Communicants : Admitted, 8 ; Removed, 2. Present Number, 26.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 4.

Morning Prayer : Sundays 30 ; Holy Days, 11. Total, 41.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 32 ; Holy Days, 11. Total, 43.

Sermons, 64. Lectures and other Addresses, 22.

Sunday School : Teachers, Male, 5 ; Female, 5. Total, 10.

Scholars, Male, 18 ; Female, 22. Total, 40.

Public Catechetical Instruction ; No. of Times, 5 ; Catechumens, 40.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$35 00 ; Sunday School, \$40 00 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$20 00. Total..... \$95 00

DIOCESAN : Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$10 00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$15 00. Total..... \$25 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$120 00

The Parish continues prosperous. Owing to the limited number of families connected with the Parish, and that all the expenses must fall on a few, it is impossible for the Rector to aid other Church objects, though deeply sensible of their importance. He trusts, however, that this Parish will soon be able to take her place side by side with her sister Parishes in promoting the good work of the Church. The Rector has lately commenced afternoon services at Glenwood, which he hopes to continue.

GRACE CHURCH, SOUTH OYSTER BAY.**The Rev. S. Stebbins Stocking, Rector.**

There are no changes in the usual statistics of this Parish which the Rector deems worthy to be reported. As usual, he has held morning service and celebrated the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month during the Winter. On the first Sunday in April he commenced weekly services, to be continued during the Summer. It is with pleasure, however, that he is able to report, that since the last Convention in September the Parish has contributed \$300 towards the purchase of the Bishop's residence, and that \$1,250 in addition, for the same purpose, has been given by a member of the Vestry, making in all, during the past year, over the sum of \$2,300 (exclusive of salary), raised for Church purposes, and *paid* by this small Parish of twelve families.

GRACE CHURCH, WHITESTONE,**The Rev. Benjamin H. Abbott, Rector.**

Families, 80.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 14. Total, 16.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 6.

Communicants: Admitted, 4; Received, 1; Removed, 2. Died, 2.
Present Number, 62.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 6; Other Days, 1. Total, 7.

Morning Prayer: Sundays, 32; Holy Days, 4. Total, 36.

Evening Prayer: Sundays, 30; Holy Days, 2; Other Days, 32. Total,
64.

Sunday School: Teachers, 23.

Scholars, about 200.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$91 00; Sunday School, \$104 00; Sunday School Offerings, \$30 00; the Poor, Parish and Church Purposes in general (including Offertory and Contributions for support of the Church), \$1,500 00. Total..... \$1,725 00

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$25 00; Diocesan Fund, \$27 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$15 00.

Total..... \$67 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,792 00

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

ST. LUKE'S CHAPEL, EAST HAMPTON.

The Rev. Charles H. Gardiner, Minister.

Families and Parts of Families, 6 ; Individuals, 15.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants : Admitted, 1 ; Died, 1. Present number, 13.

Holy Communion : Public, Sundays, 7.

Private, 7.

Evening Prayer : Sundays, 26 ; Holy Days, 1. Total, 27.

Sermons, 27. Lectures and other Addresses, 2.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL : Alms at the Holy Communion, \$11 47 ; Sunday School Library Books, \$15 00 ; Lightning Rod for Chapel, \$58 80 ; Incidentals (not Current Expenses), \$60 00. Total..... \$145 27

DIOCESAN : Clergyman's Traveling Expenses, \$10 00 ; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$10 00. Total..... \$20 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$165 27

From the first Sunday in June unto the first in October, the Sunday morning services of the Church have been celebrated. Owing to the smallness of the resident congregation, the Sunday evening service *only* is celebrated during the remainder of the year. The only week-day service was on Christmas Day. Thirty-five persons in all have occasionally attended during the Winter. The Chapel (which will seat about 150) is well filled during the Summer, as this village is a favorite seaside resort. Occasional missionary services might be held both on Shelter and Gardiner's Island, as there are a few resident communicants on the former island, and services would be welcomed at times on both. A congregation of about forty persons attended the evening service of the Church held on one occasion by the Minister of St. Luke's on Gardiner's Island, and he has solemnized a marriage on Shelter Island. Perhaps these are the only times that a clergyman of the Church has *ever* officiated on either of these islands, as far as known.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HUNTINGTON.

The Rev. C. B. Ellsworth, Rector.

Families, 75.

Baptisms : Adults, 2 ; Infants, 1. Total, 3.

Marriages, 3. Burials, 2.

Communicants: Admitted, 1; Removed, 1.

Present Number, 82.

Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 9; Other Days, 1. Total, 10.
Private, 1.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 4; Female, 10. Total, 14.

Scholars, Male, 53; Female, 60. Total, 113.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Every Sunday Afternoon.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$63 70; Sunday School Purposes, \$93 38; Contingent Fund Collection, \$75 08; other Contributions, \$685 00. Total..... \$917 16

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$10 00; Diocesan Fund, \$10 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$16 50; Church Charity Foundation of Long Island, \$26 00. Total..... \$62 50

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee..... \$77 12

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$1,056 78

Of the above, the amount for Domestic Missions was contributed by the Sunday School.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ISLIP, AND ST. BARNABAS' CHAPEL, SAYVILLE.

The Rev. Charles Douglas, Rector.

Families, 40; Individuals, 165.

Baptisms: Adults, 2; Infants, 7. Total, 9.

Marriages, 2. Burials 2.

Communicants: Removed, 3; Died, 2.

Present number, 41.

Holy Communion, Public, Sundays, 4.

Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 4; Female, 7. Total, 11.

Scholars, Male, 35; Female, 67. Total, 102.

Daily Parish School: one.

Teachers, Female, 1.

Scholars, Male, 18; Female, 14. Total, 32.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Sunday School, \$34 00; Poor, \$17 00; Christmas Tree, \$92 00; other Purposes, \$48 00. Total..... \$191 00

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$1 00; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 00; Diocesan Fund, \$4 00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1 00.

Total \$12 00

GENERAL: Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, \$1 00; Board of Mis-
: Domestic Committee, \$15 00. Total..... \$16 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$219 00

the illness of the Rector for more than five months, and his absence
the Parish during a part of that time, makes this Report somewhat
defect.

Great praise is due Mr. Henry Ingraham, who kindly acted as Lay
man, and kept up the services of the Church.
His removal to another Diocese we deeply regret.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ISLIP.

The Rev. Reuben Riley, Rector.

Members, 58; Individuals, 253.

Communicants: Infants, 7.

Deaths, 3.

Communicants: Received, 6. Present Number, 60.

Communion: Public, Sundays, 7.

Singing Prayer: Sundays, 28; Holy Days, 2. Total, 30.

Singing Prayer: Sundays, 24; Other Days, 15. Total, 39.

Deaths, 52.

Day School: Teachers, Male, 4; Female, 16. Total, 20.

Scholars, Male, 67; Female, 79. Total, 146.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$12 16; Books for Sun-
day School, \$20 40; Chapel Offerings, \$31 56; Sunday School Offerings,
\$39; Repairing and Painting Rectory and Church, \$647 05; Build-
ing Chapel at Central Islip, \$1,245 88; Taxes on Rectory, and Carpet
Church, \$46 21. Total. \$2,020 66

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$17 00; Diocesan Fund,
\$20; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$5 00; Church Charity
Foundation of Long Island, \$25 00; Society for Increase of the Ministry,
\$4; Nashotah Mission, \$5 00. Total..... \$75 04

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$2,095 70

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, October 31: Laid the corner
stone of a Chapel at Central Islip, in the presence of a goodly number of
people.

\$1,245 88 have been already expended on the Chapel at Central Islip. To complete the edifice, \$500 more will be needed.

One half acre of land has been deeded by Mrs. Shutt for a Chapel at Brentwood. \$750 have been subscribed towards the building; of this amount, \$600 are in the Savings Bank.

The Rectory outbuildings and fences have been put in good order and painted.

The interior of the Church (the wood work) has been painted and varnished, and the pew doors taken off. Chancel and aisles newly carpeted.

For the first time in the history of the Parish, there is now a resident quorum of the Vestry in Islip.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PATCHOGUE.

The Rev. Charles Douglas, Missionary.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Total.....	\$38 00
DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, \$2 50; Diocesan Fund, \$2 00.	
Total	\$4 50
GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$2 00.	
Total	\$2 00
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TOTAL OF OFFERINGS.....	\$44 50

The Report is not as full as usual, on account of the illness of the Missionary.

CHRIST CHURCH, SAG HARBOR.

The Rev. Edward Hubbell, Rector.

- Families, 67; Individuals, 270.
- Baptisms: Adults, 1; Infants, 2. Total, 3.
- Marriages, 1. Burials, 3.
- Communicants: Died, 1. Present Number, 73.
- Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 4.
- Morning Prayer: Sundays, 13; Holy Days, 9; Other Days, 5; Total, 27.
- Evening Prayer: Sundays, 13; Other Days, 6. Total, 19.
- Sermons, 28. Lectures and other Addresses, 16.
- Sunday School: Teachers, Male, 2; Female, 9. Total, 11.
Scholars, Male, 17; Female, 43. Total, 60.
- Public Catechetical Instruction: No. of Times, 3; of Catechumens, 60.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$53 69; Sunday School, \$59 50; Sunday School Offerings, \$15 00; various Parish Purposes, \$150 44. Total \$278 63

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$7 00; Diocesan Fund, \$6 00; Diocesan Missions, \$4 07. Total..... \$17 07

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Foreign Committee, \$6 67.
Total \$6 67

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS..... \$302 37

The Rectorship of this Parish was vacant four and a half months previous to the middle of last February, at which time the present Rector entered upon his duties.

CAROLINE CHURCH, SETAUKET.

The Rev. F. M. Noll, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms: Infants, 1.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 2.

Communicants: Removed, 1; Died, 1.

Present Number, 39.

Holy Communion: Public, first Sunday in each month, and on all Feast Days.

Morning Prayer: Every Sunday and all Holy Days.

Evening Prayer: Every Sunday.

Sermons: Sunday mornings.

Public Catechetical Instruction: Weekly.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$13 84.

Total \$13 84

DIOCESAN: Episcopal Fund, \$2 65; Salary of the Bishop, assessment, \$4 25; Diocesan Fund, \$1 25; Diocesan Missions, \$2 82; Theological Education, \$2 60; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$2 00.

Total \$15 67

GENERAL: Board of Missions: Domestic Committee, \$3 30; Midnight Mission, \$7 25. Total..... \$10 55

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS. \$40 06

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, SMITHTOWN.**The Rev. John W. Buckmaster, Rector.****Families, 25.****Confirmed: No Visitation. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.****Communicants: Admitted, 1; Died, 1.****Present Number, 42.****Holy Communion: Public, Sundays, 6; Other Days, 1. Total, 7.****Morning Prayer: Sundays, 27; Holy Days, 4. Total, 31.****Evening Prayer: Sundays, 13; Other Days, 1. Total, 14.****Sermons, 41.****Sunday School: Teachers, Male 2; Female, 7. Total, 9.****Scholars, Male, 15; Female, 19. Total, 34.****CONTRIBUTIONS.**

PAROCHIAL: Alms at the Holy Communion, \$8 01; Sunday School, \$12 67; Donation to the Rector, \$102 50; Christmas Festival, \$28 50; Incidental Expenses, \$21 65; Special, \$6 00—\$27 65.

Total \$179 33

DIOCESAN: Salary of the Bishop, assessment in part, \$4 50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$3 00; towards Episcopal Residence, by Henry C. Webb, \$25 00. Total \$32 50

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS \$211 83

**From the following Parishes no Reports have been
Received:**

Church Charity Foundation, Brooklyn.**St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn.****St. John's Church, Brooklyn.****St. Michael's Church, Brooklyn.****Christ Church, Brooklyn, E. D.****St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, E. D.****St. Saviour's Church, Maspeth.****Church of the Holy Trinity, Greenport.****St. Mary's Church, Ronkonkoma.**

Clerical Reports.

The Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell reports as follows :

Agreeably to the Canons, I send you the official report of my services from September 12, 1869, to May 16, 1870.

I have preached.....	16 times.
Read Morning Prayer.....	4 “
“ Litany.....	3 “
“ Ante-Communion.....	3 “
“ Holy Communion.....	1 “
“ Evening Prayer.....	4 “
I have assisted in Morning Prayer..	4 times.
“ Holy Communion.....	1 “
“ Evening Prayer.....	4 “

The above services have been rendered in Brooklyn in the following Churches: Grace Church, the Church of the Redeemer and of the Reformation, St. John's and All Saints, and also in South Carolina, at St. Paul's, Charleston, and St. Helena, Beaufort.

The Rev. William C. Cooley reports :

I hereby respectfully report the following Ministerial acts since my illness compelled me to resign St. Saviour's, Maspeth :

I officiated for three months regularly in the morning at a Mission Station in Union Town, District of Columbia; baptised two infants; buried two persons. I also officiated on Maunday Thursday and Good Friday, and the Sunday next before Easter, at Roseville, N. J. Also officiated on the first Sunday in April and on Easter Sunday, at All Angels, New York.

The Rev. T. F. Cornell respectfully reports :

That he resigned the Rectorship of St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn, on the 1st of December, 1869. Official acts performed up to that time are detailed in the statistics of that Parish for the present year.

He has since been constantly engaged in preaching for and rendering other assistance to his brethren in this city and vicinity.

The Rev. George W. Nichols respectfully reports to the Bishop of the Diocese :

That as few opportunities have offered for the discharge of Clerical duty since the last Convention in September, he has performed only the following Clerical acts, viz. : Sunday, December 19, 1869, officiated morning and evening in St. Paul's, Paterson, N. J. Wednesday evening, January 12, 1870, officiated in the Church of the Mediator, Brooklyn, for Rev. Mr. Reed. On Sundays, April 3 and April 10, preached and read Prayers in the Mission Chapel of St. John's, Brooklyn.

APPENDIX II. SUMMARY OF THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.					CONTRIBUTIONS							
	Families.	Individuals.	Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Communion.	Marriages.	Burials.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Parochial.	Diocesan.	General.	Total.
KINGS COUNTY.													
Bay Ridge, Brooklyn.													
Christ	60	225	7	9	95	1	7	15	125	\$1,928 84	\$111 00	\$895 90	\$2,959 74
All Saints	74	100	13		116	1	10	24	170	540 72	50 56		591 28
Atonement	130		21		91	1	11	33	168	1,358 91			1,358 91
Christ	140		14		321	4	4	24	184	874 01	3,480 57	7,594 20	11,948 78
Christ Chapel	143		29	49	126	2	24	37	450	405 46			405 46
Ch. Char Found'n.													
Emmanuel	53	216	7	5	114	1	1	22	210	4,426 16	115 11	25 00	4,548 27
Evangelists	32	130	3	10	63		1	11	55	3,126 12	10 50		1,316 62
Good Shepherd	23	100	18	7	40	2	4	10	65	19 24	9 00	1 00	29 24
Grace	275	1,100	26	19	500	12	16	38	123	7,019 70	8,522 58	11,534 75	27,177 01
Guion			11	4	28	1	6	6	40	7,013 50	17 00		7,030 50
Holy Trinity			10	49	550	11	11	54	314	4,073 35	8,170 04	2,042 85	14,286 24
Mediator.	58	250	17	13	103	3	4	20	180	312 91	10 00		342 91
Messiah	95	437	14	24	154	4	13	32	324	12,441 73	563 07	209 43	13,214 21
Our Saviour	320	1,600	14	24	302	7	9	30	513	3,626 94	186 65	70 00	4,513 87
Redeemer	100		20		200	7	5	18	160	2,496 86	123 00	312 41	3,181 59
Reformation			8	23	140			31	171				2,732 27
St. Andrews													
St. Ann's, (old)	410	2,000	85	52	562	14	23	103	712	2,197 98	2,402 42	4,000 31	9,500 71
" (on H'ta)	225		36		320	6	10	79	504	2,605 12	2,485 28	2,651 28	7,741 88
St. James													
St. John's			72	19	261	20	15	26	175	6,066 21	97 74	271 50	6,437 45
St. Luke's			14	9	161	3	3	14	120	2,539 42	111 17	13 25	2,661 82
St. Mark's	170		47	12	498	13	42	41	355	1,929 03	193 71	255 46	4,578 32
St. Mary's			24		110	4	11	23	300	410 79	47 25	19 67	517 71
St. Matthew's													
St. Michael's			24	10	370	5	12	30	214	6,799 82	1,275 98	100 00	8,175 80
St. Paul's	180	850	24	39	560	24	42	89	752	6,793 36	2,808 77	747 49	10,349 62
St. Peter's	310		60	13	218	2	13	20	200	2,080 23	35 00		2,115 23
" Cbp'l			20	26	159	6	25	39	195	2,718 97	361 42		3,123 39
St. Stephen's	250		46		181	8	21	36	280	3,170 45	45 00	107 00	3,411 45
Ascension			40										
Calvary			25		136	1	13	24	285	464 48	76 46	33 56	574 50
Christ			47	31	425	18	11	61	327	9,270 21	596 28	639 59	10,506 10
Grace	80	100											
St. Mark's													
St. Paul's													
Zion	21	79	7		10		2	9	41	315 49	6 00		321 49
Holy Communion	27	100	6		30	1	1						
Trinity	66		20	1	98	6	15	27	200	2,219 86	55 50		2,395 86
Cypress Hills, East New York.													

QUEENS COUNTY.													
Astoria,	Redeemer	77	321	13	134	1	2	18	122	\$3,796 00	\$176 70	\$135 85	\$4,108 55
Cold Sp'g Harbor,	St. George's	65	164	38	66	..	6	6	56	307 10	552 32	664 60	1,524 02
College Point,	St. John's	46	203	3	135	1	..	28	306	99 74	624 88	..	724 62
Flushing,	St. Paul's Chapel.	..	..	28	300	10	13	74	671	345 45	7 70	..	353 15
	St. George's .....	..	..	1	12	..	2	12	68	543 47	180 00	..	723 47
	Mission	7	40	1	78	..	3	8	40	513 33	8 45	16 65	538 43
Glen Cove,	St. Paul's	69	278	4	190	3	10	22	183	67 79	66 10	35 05	133 89
Hempstead,	St. George's .....	..	..	10	244	4	8	24	194	95 90	49 37	..	180 32
Jamaica,	Grace	121	450	15	107	7	11	16	70	97 57	128 00	..	225 57
Little Neck,	Zion	110	..	16	107	9	11	16	160	200 78	663 16	284 44	1,148 38
Long Island City,	St. John's	83	300	18	45	4	6	10	133	261 14	46 21	56 65	364 00
Manhasset,	Christ	106	..	5	159	5	9	25	..	2,354 17	356 00	231 30	2,941 47
Maspeth	St. Saviour's .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Newtown,	St. James' .....	..	..	11	110	..	3	11	120	253 30	135 71	841 16	1,230 17
Oyster Bay,	Christ .....	..	..	4	89	1	3	8	75	300 00	280 30	5 42	585 72
Ravenswood,	St. Thomas'	26	75	1	37	..	2	11	75	149 60	20 69	11 00	181 29
Rockaway,	Trinity	90	400	14	3	3	8	18	130	37 73	71 81	27 23	136 77
	Chapel. }	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Roslyn,	Trinity	16	..	50	26	1	4	10	40	95 00	25 00	..	120 00
South Oyster Bay,	Grace	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,300 00	..	2,300 00
Whitestone,	Grace	80	..	16	62	3	6	23	200	1,725 00	67 00	..	1,792 00
Total.....		903	2,231	247	1,797	52	96	344	2,642	\$11,243 07	\$5,759 40	\$2,309 35	\$19,311 82
SUFFOLK COUNTY.													
East Hampton,	St. Luke's Chp'l.	6	15	..	13	1	2	..	..	\$145 27	\$20 00	..	\$165 27
Greenport,	Holy Trinity .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Huntington,	St. John's	75	..	3	82	3	2	14	113	917 16	62 50	\$77 12	1,056 78
Islip,	St. John's	40	165	9	41	2	2	11	102	191 00	16 00	16 00	223 00
	St. Mark's	58	253	7	60	..	3	20	146	2,020 66	75 04	..	2,095 70
Patchogue	St. Paul's .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38 00	4 50	2 00	44 50
Ronkonkoma,	St. Mary's .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sag Harbor,	Christ	67	270	3	73	1	3	11	60	278 63	17 07	6 67	302 37
Sayville,	St. Barnabas' Cp'l*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Setauket	Caroline .....	..	..	1	39	1	2	..	..	13 84	15 67	10 55	40 06
Smithtown,	St. James'	25	..	..	42	1	1	9	34	179 33	32 50	..	211 83
Total.....		271	703	23	350	9	15	65	455	3,783 89	243 28	112 34	4,139 51
Total for Churches reported..		4,495	10,740	1,149	9,024	256	531	1,462	11,509	\$116,915 81	\$39,286 10	\$34,975 96	\$195,693 74

* The Statistics of St. Barnabas' Chapel, are included in those of St. John's, Islip.

APPENDIX III.

CHURCHES OF THE DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND, with the dates of their Organization and Admission into CONVENTION. The dates previous to 1868, are of Admission into Union with the Diocese of New York.

KINGS COUNTY.

	Organized.	Admitted.
Bay Ridge, Christ,	June 13, 1854. . . .	1853
Brooklyn, All Saints',	August 4, 1867. . . .	1867
" Atonement,	February 1, 1864. . . .	1864
" Christ,	May 18, 1835. . . .	1836
" Christ Chapel,		
" Ch. Char. Foundation,	February 6, 1851. . . .	
" Emmanuel,		1856
" Evangelists',	September 23, 1867. . . .	1867
" Good Shepherd,		
" Grace,	May 3, 1847. . . .	1849
" Guion,	October 14, 1869. . . .	
" Holy Trinity,	November 27, 1851. . . .	1852
" Mediator,	April 4, 1869. . . .	1869
" Messiah,	August 22, 1850. . . .	1850
" Our Saviour,	April 22, 1867. . . .	1867
" Redeemer,	December 26, 1853. . . .	1854
" Reformation,	February 20, 1867. . . .	1867
" St. Andrew's,		1859
" St. Ann's,	1784. . . .	1787
" " Chapel,		
" St. James',	May 25, 1868. . . .	1869
" St. John's,	April 16, 1827. . . .	1827
" St. Luke's,	December 27, 1841. . . .	1842
" St. Mark's,		1851
" St. Mary's,	1836. . . .	1837
" St. Matthew's,	May 25, 1859. . . .	1860
" St. Michael's,	1847. . . .	1851
" St. Paul's,	December 25, 1848. . . .	1850
" St. Peter's,	May 1, 1848. . . .	1848
" " Chapel,		
" St. Stephen's,	August 5, 1867. . . .	1868
/ Brooklyn, E. D., Ascension,	December 20, 1846. . . .	1847
" Calvary,	January 23, 1849. . . .	1849
" Christ,	1846. . . .	1849
" Grace,	May 19, 1853. . . .	1853

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KINGS COUNTY. (Continued.)

	Organized.	Admitted.
n, E. D., St. Mark's, . . .	1837. . .	. 1837
" St. Paul's, . . .	May 8, 1848. -	. 1848
" Zion, . . .		
Hills, Holy Communion, . . .	February 3, 1869. . .	. 1869
ew York, Trinity, . . .	September 11, 1854. . .	. 1854
h, St. Paul's, . . .	1836. . .	. 1836
milton, St. John's, . . .	September 29, 1834. . .	. 1834
ld, St. John's, . . .	1860. . .	. 1860

QUEENS COUNTY.

	Organized.	Admitted.
Redeemer, . . .	August 27, 1866. . .	. 1866
St. George's, . . .		. 1837
ring Harbor, St. John's, . . .	February 16, 1835. . .	. 1837
Point, St. Paul's Chapel, . . .		
g, St. George's, . . .	Between 1702 and 1705. . .	. 1785
" Mission. . . .		
re, St. Paul's, . . .	May, 1833. . .	. 1834
ead, St. George's, . . .	1704. . .	. 1786
, Grace, . . .	June, 1701. . .	. 1785
eck, Zion, . . .	June 17, 1830. . .	. 1830
land City, St. John's, . . .		. 1866
set, Christ, . . .	1819. . .	. 1833
i, St. Saviour's, . . .		. 1847
n, St. James', . . .	September 9, 1761. . .	. 1785
Bay, Christ, . . .		. 1837
wood, St. Thomas', . . .	February 6, 1839. . .	. 1839
ay, Trinity, . . .	February 14, 1844. . .	. 1844
" Chapel, . . .		
Trinity, . . .		. 1869
yster Bay, Grace, . . .		. 1845
one, Grace, . . .	September 6, 1858. . .	. 1858

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

	Organized.	Admitted.
Islip Chapel, . . .		
mpton, St. Luke's, . . .		
ort, Holy Trinity, . . .		
ton, St. John's, . . .	1745. . .	. 1838
, John's, . . .	About 1787. . .	. 1787
Mark's, . . .	November 15, 1847. . .	. 1850
ue, St. Paul's, . . .		. 1854
koma, St. Mary's, . . .		
bor, Christ, . . .	1845. . .	. 1846
St. Barnabas' Chapel, . . .		
, Caroline, . . .	1729, or before, . . .	. 1788
wn, St. James', . . .	July, 1853. . .	. 1853

APPENDIX IV.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE Protestant Episcopal Church, IN THE DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1.—There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, on the Third Tuesday of May, in each year, in such place as shall be determined by the Bishop for the time being; or, in case of his inability to act, or a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

SEC. 2.—In the event of the prevalence of any epidemic disease, or for other sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of meeting, the Bishop, or, in the cases above mentioned, the Standing Committee, may appoint another place for the meeting of the Convention.

ARTICLE II.

The Bishop may call Special Conventions when he shall judge it conducive to the good of the Church.

In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the inability of the Bishop to do so, the Standing Committee may call such Conventions.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1.—The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, the officiating Ministers, regularly admitted and

in some Church within this Diocese, which is in union with the Convention; and of Lay-members, not exceeding three Delegates from each Parish.

2.—Clergymen employed as Missionaries under the direction of the Convention, Chaplains in the Army or Navy of the United States who shall be canonically connected with the Diocese, and on duty at some station within its limits, and Clergymen engaged as tutors or instructors of youth, in any College, Academy or Theological Seminary of learning, duly incorporated, may be members of the Convention.

3.—The Lay Delegates shall be chosen by the Vestry, when in legal existence. When the Vestry is, from vacancy or otherwise, incompetent to act, they shall be chosen by the Congregation.

4.—But in cases of Churches or Congregations, organized or incorporated without a Vestry, Delegates may be chosen by the Church or Congregation, unless the Convention shall otherwise prescribe.

5.—The mode of admitting new Churches or Congregations into union with the Convention may be prescribed by Canon.

ARTICLE IV.

Every Convention shall be opened with the prayers of the Church. On the first morning of the Convention there shall be a sermon, exhortation or charge by the Bishop, or a sermon by some Presbyter, appointed by him, and the Holy Communion shall always be celebrated. In case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the sermon shall be preached for by the Standing Committee.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop, by virtue of his office, shall preside in the Convention; in case of a vacancy, inability to act or absence, the members shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1.—A Secretary shall be chosen upon the assembling of the Convention, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Convention, and until a successor be chosen. His duty shall be to take the minutes of the proceedings, to preserve the journals and

records, to attest the public acts of the body, and to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers, relating to the concerns of the Convention, which may be in his possession.

SEC. 2.—It shall be also his duty to give due notice of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION 1.—In all matters which come before the Convention, the clergy and laity shall deliberate, and except as hereinafter provided, shall vote in one body ; but if in any case it shall be required by five votes, either wholly or in part of Clergymen, or of Lay Delegates, or shall be demanded by Canon, the two orders shall vote separately, the clergy by individuals and the laity by congregations ; and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a decision.

SEC. 2.—In case of the election of a Bishop, the two orders shall always vote separately, and according to the mode above prescribed.

ARTICLE VIII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for an amendment shall be introduced, in writing, and considered in the Convention ; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next Convention ; and, if again approved of in such next Convention, by a majority of the two orders voting thereon separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

THE CANONS
OF THE
Protestant Episcopal Church,
IN THE
DIOCESE OF LONG ISLAND.

P R E L I M I N A R Y C A N O N .

The Definition of Terms.

Unless it shall otherwise appear from the context, or be otherwise expressly directed, the following terms shall, for the purposes of these Canons, be construed to mean as follows:

The term "Digest" to mean, the Digest of the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, passed and adopted in General Convention in October, 1859, and any amendments thereof; the term "The Canons," the Canons of the Church in this Diocese; the term "Minister," a Bishop, Priest or Deacon; the term "Clergyman," a Priest or Deacon; the term "This Church," the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; the term "Ecclesiastical Authority," the Bishop of the Diocese or his Assistant Bishop, or any Provincial or other Bishop, acting under the authority of the General Convention, or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or the Clerical members thereof, when authorized by the Digest.

Whenever words importing the plural number are used in describing or referring to any matters, parties or persons, any single matter, party or person shall be deemed to be included, although distributive words may not be used.

ARTICLE I.

CANON 1.

Record or List of Ministers in the Diocese.

SECTION I.—The Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared and kept, a list of all the ministers of this Church canonically resident in the Diocese, designating those regularly admitted and settled in some Church within the Diocese in union with this Convention, by the names of their respective Churches, Cures, or Parishes; those employed as Missionaries under the direction of this Convention, by their respective stations; those who are Chaplains in the Army or Navy, by their post of duty; and those employed as instructors of youth in any college, academy or seminary of learning, duly incorporated, by the colleges, academies, or other seminaries of learning in which they are engaged; or, in regard to those not so engaged, their places of residence only.

SEC. II.—Such list shall be recorded in a book by the Secretary of the Convention, under the supervision of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

SEC. III.—The Secretary of the Convention shall record in such book all certificates that shall be delivered to the Ecclesiastical Authority under Section I of Canon 12, Title I, of the Digest, provided that the same be accompanied in such case with the certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority, that the person so chosen to any Church or Parish in this Diocese is a qualified minister of this Church; and such certificates are to be transmitted to him by the Ecclesiastical Authority for record.

SEC. IV.—[1.] When Letters Dimissory, mentioned in Section VII, Canon 12, Title I, of the Digest, shall have been accepted, the Clergyman received shall procure from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate that he has been received into the Diocese, in compliance with such Section and Canon. He shall cause such certificate to be delivered to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record such transfer. The canonical residence of such Clergyman shall be deemed to be established upon the record being thus made, and not before.

[2.] The Ecclesiastical Authority shall also certify, in writing, to such Secretary the names of all Ministers who shall, by ordination or in any other mode than as above specified, become canonically resident within this Diocese, together with their proper designation, as specified in Section I of this Canon, to be in like manner recorded.

[3.] And such Authority shall also certify to the Secretary the name of every Minister deceased, transferred, deposed or suspended, in order that such names may, in the first three cases, be stricken from the record, and in the last, that a minute of the sentence may be made.

[4.] A copy of such record or list shall be laid before the Convention ~~on~~ the first day of its meeting, and shall be prefixed to the Journal.

[5.] Such record or a transcript thereof, or of such part thereof as may relate to the matter in question, shall be admitted in evidence upon all proceedings or trials, under any law or Canon in force in this Diocese.

CANON 2.

Of the Convention.

SECTION I.—*The Clerical Members and Evidence of Right to Seats.*

[1.] Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of the Diocese, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of ministers entitled to a seat in the Convention, pursuant to the third article of the Constitution. No suspended minister shall have a place on such list. Such list, or a copy, authenticated by the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be laid before the Convention on the first day of the meeting, and filed with the Secretary.

[2.] Any correction of such list may be made by the Convention during its session, and the right to make such correction belongs exclusively to the Convention. The list shall be recorded by the Secretary in a book kept for the purpose.

[3.] The right of any minister to a seat in the Convention shall, if disputed, be determined according to the provisions of the third Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in such list or omitted. Such list shall, however, be taken as presumptive evidence of the right of those whose names appear thereon, and that none others have such right.

[4.] In case of a contested right to a seat of any Clergyman, who may be elected to any Church or Parish in this Diocese, the evidence of settlement shall consist in the Record required in Canon 1, Section III, of this Article, or in the production of the certificate specified therein, which certificate, if not previously recorded, shall thereupon be recorded in the book kept under said Section I,

[5.] In case of a contested right to a seat of a Minister, claiming such right by virtue of his being employed as a Missionary, under the direction of this Convention, the evidence of such employment shall consist in the written certificate of the Ecclesiastical authority.

[6.] In case of a contested right to a seat of a Clergyman, claiming such right as Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States, under the provisions of the Constitution, the evidence of his employment upon any station shall be a certificate of the commanding officer of that station.

[7.] In case of a contested right to a seat of a Clergyman, claiming such right by virtue of his being engaged as a professor or instructor of youth in a college, academy or general seminary of learning, duly incorporated, the evidence of his connection with such shall consist of the written certificate of the President or Secretary of such Corporation.

[8.] And in the case of a contested right to a seat of any Clergyman, who may claim to have been received into this Diocese, the production of the Record kept under Canon 1 of "The Canons," or of the Certificate of Acceptance, given under Section II., Clause 1 thereof, shall be presumptive evidence of a regular admission, which certificate, if not previously recorded, shall thereupon be recorded by the Secretary.

[9.] A Minister is settled for all the purposes mentioned in the Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of this Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

SEC. II.—Of Lay Delegates and Evidence of Rights.

[1.] The appointment of Lay Delegates to the Convention, in Churches organized or incorporated with a Vestry, if they be chosen by the Vestry, shall be made at a regular meeting of such Vestry, held according to law; if they be chosen by the Congregation, the like notice of the time and place of holding the election shall be given, and the electors must have the like legal qualifications, and the election shall be conducted in the like manner, as prescribed by law for the election of Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parishes respectively in which they are held.

[2.] The evidence of the appointment of a Lay Delegate, if made by the Vestry, shall be a written certificate signed by the Rector of the Church, if there be one, or if there be no Rector, by the Warden

who presides at the meeting at which such delegate is appointed ; and also in each case, by the Clerk of the Vestry.

[3.] If the appointment be made by the Congregation, the evidence shall be a certificate signed by the same persons, who are required by law to certify or attest the election of Wardens and Vestrymen in the respective Parishes.

[4.] Every certificate of the appointment of a Lay Delegate shall show upon its face, that the appointment has been made in pursuance of the requirements of this Section, and shall certify that the Delegate has the qualifications required by the next succeeding clause of this Section.

[5.] No Lay Delegate shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be entitled to vote for the Wardens and Vestrymen of the Church which he is appointed to represent.

[6.] Every Church or Congregation incorporated since April, 1813, or hereafter to be incorporated under any law of the State of New York, other than the General Act for the Incorporation of Churches, passed April, 1813, and its amendments, shall be entitled to appoint Lay Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three in number.

They must have been connected with the said Church or Congregation for at least six months previous to their appointment.

[7.] They shall be chosen by the male members of full legal age, who have habitually for six months preceding such election attended divine service in such Church or Congregation.

[8.] The time, place and manner of holding such election, and the notice for holding the same (which shall be ten days at least), shall be fixed by rules or by-laws made by the Trustees of such Churches or Congregations, or by the Lay Members of the same, qualified as aforesaid, at a meeting duly convened.

[9.] A written certificate of the appointment of such Delegates, signed by the Minister, if there be one, or by the officer presiding at a meeting of the Congregation by which they were appointed, and by the Clerk or Secretary, is to be presented to the Convention, which certificate shall declare that such persons have been duly chosen Lay Delegates by such Church or Congregation, are members of the same, and have been such members for six months preceding.

[10.] A copy of this Section shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Convention, to the Vestry or Trustees of every Church in

union with this Convention, with blank printed forms of proceedings under it, to be entered upon their book of minutes. All alterations shall be similarly transmitted.

[11.] No other certificate or evidence of the appointment of a Lay Delegate than such as is required by this section, shall be required, and the right of any Layman to a seat in the Convention, in cases of doubt or dispute, shall be determined by the Convention itself.

SEC. III.—*Of the call of the Convention.*

[1.] Unless it be otherwise directed by the Convention, the mode of giving notice of the meeting shall be by printed or written notice, naming the time and place thereof, with the signature of the Secretary, sent by mail to each Clergyman having a right to a seat, and to the Vestry or Trustees of each Parish in the Diocese.

[2.] Whenever, under the provisions of the Constitution, a special Convention is called for any particular purpose, it shall be the duty of the Secretary, in the notice thereof, to specify such purpose.

SEC. IV.—*Of a Quorum.*

The presence of at least fifteen Clergymen entitled to vote in the Convention, and of Delegates from at least fifteen Congregations, shall be necessary for the transaction of business ; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

SEC. V.—*Of Organizing the Convention.*

[1.] If the Bishop is not present at its opening, the Secretary shall call the members who present themselves, to order, when the senior Presbyter present, entitled to a seat in the Convention, shall take the Chair, and shall preside until a President be elected, as provided by Article V. of the Constitution.

[2.] The Secretary shall call over the names of the Clergymen entitled to seats, from the list filed with him, as directed in Clause 1, of Section I., of Canon 2.

[3.] He shall call over the Churches entitled to representation, when the Lay Delegates shall present their certificates, which certificates shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two members, appointed by the presiding officer. Irregular or defective certificates, and certificates and documents referring to contested seats, shall be temporarily laid aside. The names of the Lay Delegates,

ly appointed, shall then be called ; after which, the certificates and documents laid aside shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the Delegates named therein.

[4.] A canonical quorum of Fifteen Clergymen and Delegates from seven Congregations being present, the Bishop, if present, shall declare the Convention duly organized. If the Bishop be not present, or unable to act, the temporary President shall direct that the members proceed to vote for a President, as provided for in Article V., of the Constitution, which election shall be by ballot. The President elected shall declare the Convention organized for business.

[5.] The Convention shall then proceed to the election, by ballot, of a Secretary. He may nominate an Assistant Secretary for choice by the Convention.

[6.] The rules of order in force at the preceding Convention, so far as they are applicable to the preliminary proceedings for the organization of the Convention, shall be deemed in force for that purpose ; and the said rules of order, except such of them as prescribe the mode of altering the same, shall regulate the proceedings, after the organization, until altered by the Convention.

SEC. VI.—*The Secretary.*

[1.] In addition to the offices and duties elsewhere declared, the Secretary shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of this Church, and to the Secretary of the last House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention, and shall request the Secretaries of the Diocesan Conventions to send copies of their respective Journals in exchange.

[2.] He shall also transmit to every General Convention, in addition to the documents mentioned in Section IV., of Canon 15, Title I. of the Digest, a certificate, to be signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of funds paid, or secured to be paid (distinguishing them), to the General Theological Seminary, together with the nominations of Trustees of that Seminary ; and also, a like certificate of the appointment of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

[3.] Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office of Secretary of the Convention, or he shall be unable to act, the duties shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretary, if there be one ; if not, upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

SEC. VII.—*The Treasurer.*

[1.] At every stated Convention there shall be chosen, by ballot, a Treasurer, who shall remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor is appointed. It shall be his duty to receive all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and to disburse them by the same authority: and where no disbursement has been ordered by the Convention, under the direction of the Standing Committee.

[2.] His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee appointed by it.

[3.] In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by the Standing Committee: and the person appointed by such Committee shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention.

SEC. VIII.—*Of Elections.*

Elections by ballot, when required by the Canons, may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention; and when the election is by ballot, a majority of the votes in each order, upon concurrent ballot, shall be necessary to a valid election.

SEC. IX.—*Of the admission of a Church into union, and of maintaining such union.*

[1.] To entitle a Church to admission into union with the Church in this Diocese, the Vestry or Trustees respectively shall submit to the Convention or to a Committee appointed by it, the Certificate or Act of Incorporation, or a copy thereof, certified by the officer whose duty it is, or may be, to record or file certificates of incorporation of Religious Societies.

[2.] There shall also be submitted a certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority, that the incorporation of such Church was approved before such act of incorporation, and that such Church is duly and satisfactorily established.

[3.] Satisfactory testimony, by certificate of the Rector or Churchwarden, or the principal officer of a Board of Trustees, or otherwise, shall also be given, that not less than twenty-five persons of legal age, members of such Church, have habitually, for at least six months preceding such application, attended divine service in such Church or Congregation.

[4.] The application for admission shall be in writing, and shall be accompanied with a copy of a resolution adopted by the Vestry, Congregation or Trustees respectively, that such Church agrees to abide by and conform to the Constitutions, Canons, Rules and Orders in force within this Diocese. Such copy shall be certified by the Secretary or Clerk, and be authenticated by the seal of the Corporation.

[5.] Whenever any Church in union shall neglect, for three years in succession, to make a parochial report, (no missionary report being made in its behalf,) or shall not, during the same period, have employed a Clergyman as its Parish Minister, nor requested of the Ecclesiastical Authority the services of a Missionary, such Church shall be regarded as having forfeited its connection with the Convention, and shall no longer have a right to send Delegates to the same. The Bishop shall report such Church to the Convention in his annual address.

[6.] Such Church, however, may be re-admitted upon an application to the Convention, accompanied with a report of its condition, and on such terms as shall appear just; such re-admission to take place from and after the rising of the Convention consenting to it.

CANON 3.

Of the Standing Committee.

Whereas, by Canon 2, of Title III, of the Digest, it is required that there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention in each Diocese, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses; therefore it is, in addition to the Canons of the General Convention, declared and prescribed as follows:

SECTION I.—[1.] At every stated Convention, a Standing Committee shall be elected, to consist of four of the Clergy and four of the Laity, to be chosen by ballot, and by the concurrent vote of the members of each order. Each Standing Committee so elected shall continue in office until the next stated Convention and until a new Standing Committee shall be elected.

[2.] Vacancies in said Committee, occurring by death or otherwise, shall be supplied by the concurrent vote of the Clerical and Lay members of the Committee.

In all other cases they shall act as one body, without distinction of

orders, except when otherwise directed by the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. II.—In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the inability or disability of the Bishop, the powers and duties to be performed by him, in matters of discipline, shall be performed by the Standing Committee, except in those cases where such powers and duties are or may be specially delegated to or enjoined upon the Clerical members of such Committee, in which case they shall be exercised by such Clerical members alone; provided, that no sentence shall be pronounced on a Clergyman but by a Bishop.

CANON 4.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

SECTION I.—The Convention shall, at each regular annual meeting next preceding a stated meeting of the General Convention, elect, by the concurrent ballot of the Clerical and Lay members, four Clergymen and four Laymen as deputies to the General Convention from this Diocese. It shall, also, in like manner, elect four Clergymen and four Laymen as provisional deputies, to act in the cases hereafter mentioned. Such deputies and provisional deputies shall hold their respective stations until successors are appointed, and shall be deputies or provisional deputies for any General Convention which may be held during their continuance in office.

SEC. II.—Upon any vacancy occurring, by resignation, removal from the Diocese, death, or otherwise, among the deputies, or provisional deputies, between the stated times of election, the vacancy shall be supplied by any Convention during which or prior to which such vacancy shall occur.

SEC. III.—It shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, at least ten days before the meeting of the General Convention, their acceptance of the appointment, and their intention to discharge its duties; in default of which, the Bishop shall designate, from the list of provisional deputies, so many as may be necessary to insure, as far as practicable, a full representation of the Diocese. The Bishop shall, in like manner, designate, from the same list of provisional deputies, one or more, as the case may be, to supply any deficiency in the representation of the Diocese, which may in any way occur. The person or persons so designated, being furnished with a certificate of appointment, shall have all the power and authority of deputies duly elected by the Convention.

CANON 5.

Of the Registrar and Historiographer.

[1.] The journals, files, papers, reports and other documents, which, under the Canons or otherwise, shall become the property of this Convention, shall be committed to the keeping of a Presbyter to be elected by it, and who shall be known as the Registrar and Historiographer of the Diocese of Long Island.

[2.] It shall be his duty to procure all such journals, files, papers, reports, copies of charters and acts of incorporation of Churches and other documents, which may be of value in the history of this Diocese, to arrange, label, file, index and otherwise put in order, and provide for the safe keeping of the same, and all such others as may hereafter come into his possession, in some safe and accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same, under such regulations and restrictions as this Convention may from time to time provide.

[3.] It shall be his duty, also, to procure a proper and sufficient Book of Record, and to enter therein a record of the consecration of all the Bishops of this Diocese, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to record a list of all the Presbyters and Deacons, and the dates of their connection with this Diocese, and copies of the charters and acts of incorporation of Churches in the same, with such additional facts as may be worthy of safe keeping in the archives of this Diocese.

CANON 6.

Of the Episcopal Fund.

SECTION I.—[1.] The Fund for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese now provided, together with what may hereafter be contributed or acquired, and any accumulation from the investment hereof, shall be intrusted to the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate.

[2.] Such Trustees shall be five in number, and shall be appointed by and hold their offices during the pleasure of the Convention, which shall fill up all vacancies. Vacancies, however, occurring during a recess of the Convention, may be filled by the remaining Trustees, to be reported to and approved by the Convention.

SEC. II.—[1.] It shall be the duty of every Rector or Minister having charge of a Parish or Congregation in this Diocese, to cause

an annual collection or contribution to be made in aid of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate; and in case of a vacant Parish, the duty shall devolve upon the Wardens and Vestrymen.

[2.] The amount received shall be paid to the Treasurer of the said Trustees, and shall be reported by them to the next Convention, at a stated meeting, and shall be entered on its Journal.

[3.] The moneys thus raised shall be kept by the Trustees in a regular course of accumulation without diminution, until by such accumulation it shall amount to at least one hundred thousand dollars, or until the Convention shall otherwise direct.

[4.] The interest or income of the Fund shall be subject to the order of the Convention.

SEC. III.—[1.] All moneys belonging to such Fund shall be loaned by the said Trustees upon security of real estate, or invested in stock of the United States, or of the State of New York, or of the cities of Brooklyn or New York, at their discretion. All securities shall be taken in the corporate name. The Trustees may, from time to time, change such investments.

[2.] A statement exhibiting the condition of the said Fund and securities, together with all receipts and disbursements, shall be reported to the Convention at every stated meeting thereof, signed by the Trustees, or a majority of them.

CANON 7.

Of the Diocesan Fund.

SECTION I.—Whereas it is indispensable to provide a fund for defraying the necessary expenses of the Convention, it is therefore required of every Congregation in this Diocese to pay to the Treasurer of the Convention, on or before the day of its Annual Meeting, a contribution of not less than one per cent. on the amount of the salary of its Clergyman, which fund shall be appropriated in part by a Committee of the Convention to said expenses.

SEC. II.—And whereas by Section V of Canon 1, of Title III, of the Digest, it is made the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at each meeting of the same, three dollars for each Clergyman within the Diocese, for the purpose of paying the contingent expenses of the said Convention; therefore it shall be the duty of the Committee upon the Dio-

cesan Fund to retain annually, out of the moneys received by them, one dollar for each Clergyman in this Diocese. The amount thus retained shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Convention to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at each meeting of the same.

CANON 8.

Of the Missionary Operations of the Diocese.

SECTION I.—At each Annual Convention ten persons, members of the Church within the Diocese, one-half of whom shall be Clergymen and the other half Laymen, shall be chosen by ballot, who, with the Bishop or Bishops of the Diocese, shall form a Board, to be called the Missionary Committee of the Diocese of Long Island, who shall have the management of Missionary operations and the distribution of all funds raised for the support of Missionaries in this Diocese.

SEC. II.—[1.] Of the Committee thus chosen, the Bishop shall be *ex officio* President, and he shall have the sole power of nominating Missionaries for appointment by the Committee. Upon a vacancy in the Episcopate, or inability of the Bishop to act, any member shall have the right to nominate.

[2.] The Committee shall have power to elect from its members a Chairman, *pro tem.*, in the absence of the Bishop; to appoint its own Treasurer and Secretary; to fill vacancies occurring during the recess of the Convention; to make by-laws and rules, and to do all such other acts as may be needful to carry out the office and trust conferred upon it.

SEC. III.—It shall be the duty of the Committee to make an annual report of its proceedings to the Convention, containing the names of the Stations and Missionaries, a statement of its annual receipts and disbursements, of the Churches contributing, and of the sums contributed, a copy of its By-Laws or Rules, and whatever else may be deemed advisable to bring before the Convention.

SEC. IV.—It is hereby declared the duty of every Congregation in the Diocese, by collection or otherwise, to contribute to the treasury of the Missionary Fund.

CANON 9.

Of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

SECTION I.—It is hereby declared to be the duty of every Congregation in this Diocese to make an annual collection, to be applied to

the relief of Clergymen disabled by age or disease. It is recommended that such collection be made on the annual Thanksgiving Day, or the Sunday next before or next following.

SEC. II.—Two Lay Trustees shall be appointed annually by the Convention, who, with the Bishop and one Clergyman, to be chosen by the Convention and the Treasurer of the Convention, shall constitute a Board, to be called The Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, whose duty it shall be to receive applications for relief, and to apply the Fund according to such rules and principles as the said Trustees shall adopt, to be submitted to the Convention for its revision and approval.

SEC. III.—Vacancies occurring in the number of the Trustees, during the recess of the Convention, may be supplied by the remaining Trustees.

SEC. IV.—All contributions or donations for this object shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Convention, and funds not needed for current use shall be invested and held in trust by such Trustees.

CANON 10.

Of the Church Charity Foundation.

The Church Charity Foundation of Long Island is hereby recognized as a Diocesan Institution, for which provision is recommended to be made, so that each Congregation in the Diocese may make an annual contribution thereto.

ARTICLE II.

OF DISCIPLINE.

CANON 1

Of the Ecclesiastical Court.

SECTION I.—There shall be an Ecclesiastical Court for the Diocese of Long Island, to try any Clergyman thereof upon charges. It shall consist of seven Presbyters, members of the Convention, and a Layman learned in the law, a communicant of the Church, of good reputation for gravity and soundness in the faith, to act as adviser of the Court, without a voice. No member of the Standing Committee shall be a member of this Court. They shall be appointed biennially

by the Bishop, by and with the advice and consent of the Diocesan Convention, and shall continue in office two years, and until their successors are chosen, unless sooner removed by vote of the Convention.

SEC. II.—When vacancies occur, they shall be filled in the same manner for the residue of the term; but if the Convention be not then in session, the Bishop, with the consent of the remaining members of the Court, shall fill such vacancy by an appointment, which shall continue until the next meeting of the Convention.

SEC. III.—At any trial, the Lay Assessor and five clerical members of the Court must be present; and if a less number be present, they shall adjourn from day to day till a quorum be present.

In case the Lay Assessor is absent, or unable to participate in a trial, or disqualified by reason of interest or otherwise, or if for any reason a quorum of the Court cannot be obtained, a special appointment or appointments, sufficient to constitute a full Court, shall, at the request of the members of the Court who are present and qualified, be made for the occasion, as is hereinbefore provided, for filling vacancies. The accused may then reject two of these if he desires. Should a Lay Assessor be thus appointed and rejected, another shall be appointed as before, and the Court thus constituted shall proceed with the trial.

SEC. IV.—Upon the question of guilt or innocence of the accused, or upon the final decision of the cause, the Clerical members of the Court only shall vote.

They shall anticipate the opening of the sitting of the Court in any case, by the reception of the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and remember ever that the power committed to them is to be exercised without pride, prejudice or passion.

SEC. V.—The Court shall transact its business in accordance with the Canons of the Church and such rules as it may make for its own guidance.

SEC. VI.—There shall be an officer of the Court, to be called the Church Advocate, who shall be a layman learned in the law. He shall be chosen by the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, and hold office during their pleasure. It shall be his duty to prepare the charges and conduct the trial on behalf of the Church. He shall be the legal adviser of the Ecclesiastical Authority, and give his opinion when called upon on legal questions. The accused may have counsel to aid in his defence. The Church Advocate and counsel

for the accused shall be communicants of the Church, of good reputation for gravity and soundness in the faith.

SEC. VII.—The Court shall choose a Clerk, to hold office during its pleasure. He shall keep a record of its proceedings, of convictions and sentences, and preserve the testimony taken on trials.

CANON 2.

Of Confession before Trial.

SECTION I.—Whenever a Clergyman is accused of offences, either by public rumor or reliable information, charges shall be prepared without regard to form, but containing the substance of the offence alleged, with reasonable certainty as to the time, place and circumstances, and delivered to the accused.

SEC. II.—Whenever a Clergyman thus accused, or against whom charges are preferred, as hereinafter provided, shall, before the first session of the Court summoned to try the cause, voluntarily confess himself to the Bishop to be guilty of the offence alleged, the Bishop shall, in the presence of the Standing Committee, pronounce such sentence as he may judge proper, and cause the same, with the accusation reduced to form and the confession annexed, to be recorded by the Clerk of the Court.

CANON 3.

Of Charges and Presentments.

SECTION I.—Charges against a Clergyman for any triable offence shall be made in writing, addressed to the Standing Committee, and be delivered to its President. They must be signed by a majority of the members of the Vestry of the Parish or Church of which the accused is Rector or Minister, or by seven male Communicants of this Church, who are not of such Parish or Church, and two of whom shall be Presbyters.

SEC. II.—When the accused is not connected with any Church or Parish, the charges may be signed by any three Presbyters, and three Lay Communicants of the Diocese, or by seven Lay Communicants.

SEC. III.—If the offence consists in teaching or preaching publicly and advisedly heresy or heretical doctrine, or doctrines contrary to those of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, a presentment, with specifications of the nature, time and place of such offence, shall be made, signed by three Presbyters of the Church

canonically resident within the Diocese, and delivered to the President of the Standing Committee.

SEC. IV.—Whenever the Bishop shall, either from his own observation, or from any information which he shall deem worthy of notice, have reason to believe that there are grounds for an investigation into the conduct of any Clergyman of this Diocese, according to Digest Title II, Canon II, Sec. I, and II, he shall, at his discretion, convene the Standing Committee, and lay before them the information in his possession.

SEC. V.—Whenever the Standing Committee, or a majority of them shall, from any information so laid before them by the Bishop, or from any other information which they, or a majority of them may think worthy of notice, or from charges made to them as hereinbefore specified, be of opinion that it is proper that a judicial investigation of the conduct of any Clergyman of this Diocese should take place, they, with the consent of the Bishop, shall cause a general statement of the facts of the case to be made and delivered to the Church Advocate.

CANON 4.

Of Limitations.

SECTION I.—No presentment shall be sustained in any case unless the offence be alleged and proved to have been committed within three years next. before the day on which the charges are delivered to the Church Advocate, as hereinafter mentioned.

CANON 5.

Of the Preliminary Proceedings.

SECTION I.—Whenever it is determined to bring to trial any clergyman of this Diocese, the Standing Committee shall notify the Church Advocate, and direct him to proceed with the same.

SEC. II.—He shall thereupon prepare charges and specifications, containing the substance of the offence alleged, with reasonable certainty as to time, place and circumstances. But no variance between an allegation and proof shall be regarded if the accused has not been misled or prejudiced thereby. The style of the charge or charges shall be :

“Articles or charges against.....exhibited on behalf of the Church to the Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island, byacting as Church Advocate, in consequence of a pre-

sentment made to the said Bishop by the Standing Committee of the said Diocese."

He shall immediately deliver two copies of the charges and specifications signed by him to the Bishop, who shall cause one of them, with a notice of the time and place of trial (which he shall prescribe) to be served on the accused personally, or left at his place of abode, at least thirty days before the time appointed for trial.

SEC. III.—The Bishop shall also issue a precept, directed to all the members of the Ecclesiastical Court, requiring them to proceed to the trial of the accused, at the prescribed time and place, which precept, together with the other copy of the charges signed by the Church Advocate, shall be transmitted to the President of the Court, whose duty it shall be, on receipt of the same, to cause all the members of the Court, to be summoned to meet at the prescribed time and place.

SEC. IV.—If the accused shall neglect to attend at the time and place appointed for the meeting of the Court, which is convened to try him after due notice given to him, the President of the Court shall report the fact to the Bishop, who shall thereupon suspend such Clergyman from the exercise of the ministry for contumacy, until he shall appear and demand a trial. If he shall not apply for a trial within three months, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as would be proper upon a conviction for the offence alleged.

SEC. V.—Any resort to a civil court, on the part of the accused, for the purpose of impeding, delaying or averting the trial, shall be treated as contumacy, and the Bishop shall thereupon suspend such Clergyman from the exercise of the ministry for contumacy, until he appear and demand a trial.

CANON 6.

Of Trial.

SECTION I.—The accused, on appearance, shall be called upon to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence charged in the presentment. He may thereupon except, in writing, to the sufficiency of the presentment, or any part thereof, or to all or any of the specifications therein, and such exceptions shall be heard and disposed of by the Court.

SEC. II.—If no exceptions are taken, or they are overruled, or only so far allowed as to leave substantial ground for trial, the same shall proceed. If the accused refuse or neglect to plead to the presentment, the Court shall enter the plea of *not guilty* for him, and proceed with

e trial. The accused may attend, produce his testimony, and make a defence as advised.

SEC. III.—All testimony shall be given on oath or affirmation. The manner of conducting the trial, and the rules of evidence, unless otherwise provided by the canons of the Church, shall be the same as the law Courts of the State of New York, so far as applicable. The Court may adjourn from time to time, not exceeding one week on one adjournment, for the purpose of procuring testimony or furthering the ends of justice.

SEC. IV.—Proceedings in a trial shall be private, unless the accused, on days before the trial, shall demand in writing that the same be public.

SEC. V.—In case there is reason to suppose that the attendance of a necessary witness cannot be had on the trial, either party may at any time after the presentment is served, on five days notice to the other, apply to the Lay Assessor to appoint a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witness. The party so applying shall accompany his application with the interrogatories proposed to be propounded to the witness. The Lay Assessor shall then appoint a Commissioner, and fix a time and place to settle the interrogatories before him, at which time and place the other party shall, if he desires, present cross-interrogatories: and further interrogatories may be added with the approbation of the Lay Assessor, and a reasonable time allowed for that purpose, if the Lay Assessor shall deem it necessary or proper. The Lay Assessor shall then transmit the deposition with the interrogatories annexed, to the Commissioner, who shall take the testimony under oath or affirmation, as provided by the laws of the State where taken, and certify the same and transmit it, properly sealed and attested to the President of the Court. The deposition so taken shall be read upon the trial, subject to all exceptions that would avail if such witness was examined in Court.

SEC. VI.—All notices and papers to be served on the accused, after the presentment may be served on his Counsel, and all papers to be served on the prosecutors shall be served on the Church Advocate. Such service may be made by leaving the same with such advocate or counsel personally, or at his place of residence or business, or such service may be made by mail, by depositing the notice or paper, properly folded and enveloped, in the Post-Office, directed to the said counsel or Advocate, at his place of residence or business, and prepaying the postage. But in case of service by mail, three days additional time shall be allowed for transmission and receipt.

SEC. VII.—If the person to be served with any presentment notice or paper has departed from the United States, it shall be sufficient service thereof to leave a copy at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day on which his appearance or other act required by such notice or paper is to be performed. If his last place of abode cannot be ascertained, a publication of a copy in a public newspaper, printed at the seat of Government of the State or Territory in which he last resided, shall be sufficient.

SEC. VIII.—The Court having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same after the parties have withdrawn, the Lay Assessor shall deliver an opinion in writing of the law and facts of the case, in matters not strictly theological. The Clerical members of the Court shall then declare respectively whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment, in the order in which they are set forth ; and the accused shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification, of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a unanimous vote of the Clerical members of the Court.

SEC. IX.—On the final question whether the accused is guilty or not guilty, no member of the Court shall be permitted to vote, or be considered present, who shall not have been present at the delivery of all the testimony. Unless the accused be found guilty, he shall be deemed acquitted.

SEC. X.—Whenever a trial shall fail by the negligence of any Clerical member or members, the President of the Court shall report the names and the fact of such negligence to the next ensuing Convention of the Diocese.

SEC. XI.—The decision of the Court, as to each and all the charges and specifications, shall be reduced to writing and signed by the Court. Such decision or decisions shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court. In case of a judgment of guilty on any charge, the Court shall state also the sentence which, in its opinion, ought to be pronounced.

CANON 7.

Of Ecclesiastical Sentences.

SECTION I.—All proceedings within this Diocese, the result of which may involve a subjection to canonical sentence, must be ultimately revised and determined, and all sentences pronounced by the

shop. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall call in the Bishop of some other Diocese, who shall be requested, and is hereby authorized, to act therein, and proceed in the same manner as the Bishop of this Diocese would be authorized to do.

SEC. II.—The Bishop having received the judgment of the Court, shall be his duty to inform the accused of the sentence thereof, and call upon him to show reason, if any, why the judgment should not be sustained. He may receive from him any statement in mitigation of sentence.

SEC. III.—The Bishop having reviewed and adjudged upon the case, shall proceed to pronounce such sentence as may be proper, not exceeding in severity that recommended by the Court. Such sentence shall be pronounced in the presence of any three Presbyters of the Diocese, after notice to the party of the time and place appointed therefor, and publicly in a Church, or privately as the Bishop shall determine.

SEC. IV.—A copy of a sentence of suspension shall be sent to the accused, and another to the Vestry or Vestries of the Church or Churches with which he may be canonically connected, and such other publicity may be given to it as the Bishop may think expedient.

SEC. V.—The Ecclesiastical Authority, after the final decision, shall transmit all the papers, with such decision, to the Clerk of the Court, whose duty it shall be to record an abstract of the proceedings, including the final judgment and sentence in full, in a book kept for that purpose.

CANON 8.

Of Differences between Ministers and Congregations.

SECTION I.—[1.] In cases of controversy between any Rector or Assistant Minister of any Church or Parish and the Vestry, or if no Vestry, Congregation thereof, which cannot be settled by the parties themselves, and is such as to injure the peace and prosperity of the Parish or the Church, the said parties or either of them may make a written application to the Ecclesiastical Authority for decision thereupon.

[2.] The parties may agree upon a written statement of facts, and submit the same. If not agreed upon, the application must contain a statement setting forth in substance the ground or grounds on which the interference is sought. A copy of such papers shall be

served upon the other party, with ten days notice of the intention to present them. An answer in writing shall be made and delivered.

[3.] Where a statement is agreed upon, or no answer is made, or the case shall clearly appear to require no further inquiry as to facts, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall pass upon the same, and if a dissolution of the pastoral relation be deemed necessary, may recommend to such Pastor or Minister to relinquish his titles, on such conditions as shall appear reasonable.

[4.] Whenever further inquiry shall be deemed expedient, or if when an answer is filed, either party shall demand it, the Ecclesiastical Authority, being a Bishop, shall transmit the papers to the Standing Committee, for action upon the same.

SEC. II.—[1.] The Standing Committee, in such case, as well as when the application is to itself as the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall thereupon call upon the parties to appoint each one Presbyter of this Diocese, which two shall appoint a third, and the said three Presbyters shall act as Arbitrators, to inquire into the facts and report the same, and the evidence taken. If there be any failure in either appointment, the Standing Committee shall appoint. They shall prescribe the manner, time and mode of notice, of examining witnesses, and other matters to ensure an impartial investigation.

[2.] Upon the return to be made by the Arbitrators, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee shall determine what further proceedings, if any, shall be had, and shall state to the Bishop their conclusion and recommendation as to the case. The papers shall be delivered to the Bishop.

SEC. III.—The Bishop may direct, if justice requires it, a further inquiry, by the same Arbitrators, or may proceed to a final judgment, giving ten days notice to each party, of the time and place of declaring the same.

SEC. IV.—[1.] If the final judgment in any case be a recommendation that the pastoral relations be dissolved, and that titles be relinquished by the Minister, and he shall refuse to comply with the same within thirty days after the decision shall be made known to him, the Bishop may proceed to declare the canonical dissolution of all connection between the parties.

[2.] And if the vestry or congregation refuse or neglect to comply on their part with such decision or judgment, the Church shall be prohibited from a representation in the Diocesan Convention until they submit thereto.

ARTICLE III.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON 1.

Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.

SECTION I.—[1.] According to Section V, Canon 12, Title I, of the Digest, each Clergyman of this Church shall keep a Register of baptisms, confirmations, communicants, marriages and funerals within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Constitution of the Diocese where his cure lies.

[The Register so to be kept by him shall specify the name, place and time of the birth of the child baptized, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptized, and the names of the witnesses; the names of the parties married; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed.

] These entries shall be made by the Minister in a book to be provided for that purpose, belonging to the Vestry of each Church, and such book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be preserved by the Vestry as a part of the records of the Church.

] The list of communicants shall embrace all within the Minister's cure, as nearly as can be ascertained; and he shall also keep a list of all the families and adult persons within his cure, as far as practicable; and also an accurate list of the persons confirmed, from time to time, by the Bishop.

2. II.—Every Minister of this Church shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every Annual Convention to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and funerals, the number of communicants, contributions for Diocesan, Missionary and other Church objects, of this Parish, and any other matters that may throw light on the state of the same; and in reporting the number of communicants shall distinguish the additions, removals and deaths since the last report.

CANON 2.

Of Preparing a Report on the State of the Church.

According to Section V, Canon 15, Title I, of the Digest, the Secretary of the Convention, with such aid as he may require, shall,

after the stated Convention next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, assist the Bishop and Standing Committee in preparing a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, and a list of the Clergy to be presented to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

CANON 3.

Of Vacant Parishes.

Whenever a Parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority.

CANON 4.

Of Repealed Canons.

Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and such Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON 5.

Of the Repeal, Amendment and Enactment of New Canons.

SECTION I.—In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Canon —— (or Section ——, of Canon ——, or Clause ——, of Section ——, of Canon ——,) of Article ——, is hereby amended so as to read as follows." And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon, or next Section, or next Clause of a Canon or Section, in the order of the numbering of the Article to which the subject properly belongs. If a Canon, or Section, or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed.

SEC. II.—The Secretary, with any one of the Committee on Canons, selected by such Committee, shall, at the close of each session of the Convention, certify the changes made in the Canons, and the Secretary shall print the same in the Journal.

CANON 6.

Of Amendments of the Canons.

The Canons may be altered, or new Canons may be added at the Annual Convention, by the vote of a majority of the members of the same.

The undersigned, in accordance with Section II, of Canon 5, Article III, hereby certify that the foregoing Constitution and Canons are a true copy of the same, as originally adopted by the Convention, with the subsequent additions and amendments.

CHARLES H. HALL,

Chairman of the Committee on Canons.

T. STAFFORD DROWNE,

Secretary of the Convention.

BROOKLYN, L. I., *May 19th*, 1870.

INCORPORATION OF CHURCHES AND ADMISSION OF PARISHES INTO UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.

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I.

INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS FOR THE INCORPORATION OF A CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

I. PRELIMINARY REQUISITES.

In order to become incorporated under the amended act of 1868, it is requisite:

I. That there be a congregation actually existing, in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, containing not less than six male persons, of full age, belonging to such congregation, and not already incorporated in some other Church or congregation.

II. The congregation must have been habitually worshiping together, and must have some usual place of worship—not necessarily a Church—but some place in which they have habitually gathered for Divine worship.

II. PROCEEDINGS PREVIOUS TO HOLDING A MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF BECOMING INCORPORATED.

The first proceeding toward becoming incorporated is a notice of a meeting to be held for that purpose.

This notice should be reduced to writing, and *at least* two copies should be made. It must specify the object of the meeting, and the time and place thereof. The place of meeting must be at the usual place of public worship of the Church or congregation about to be incorporated. The notice must be publicly read in the time of morning service, on two Sundays next previous to the time of meeting, *by the Rector, or by the officiating minister ; or, if there be no Rector, or officiating minister, then by some other person belonging to the congregation.* It is recommended that in case there be no Rector, and no officiating minister, some one reputable person of the congregation be designated to read this notice on both Sundays immediately preceding the meeting. It must be remembered that it must be read *in the time of morning service.*

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A suggested form for this notice is submitted herewith, marked A.

Besides reading the notice, a copy must also be posted in a conspicuous place, on the outside door, near the main entrance to the place of worship in which the congregation assemble. It will be advisable to post this notice, as required, before the commencement of the services on the former of the two Sundays on which the notice is to be read ; and to keep it thus posted until the meeting is held.

The notice *posted*, should be a precise copy of that read to the congregation.

Before the meeting is held, it is recommended that a well bound and suitable blank book be procured, to be used as a Book of Minutes for the Vestry of the Church, in which the proceedings toward the incorporation of the Church should form the first entry.

A form for this entry is suggested, and accompanies these instructions, marked C.

It has been usual to insert in the Certificate of Incorporation under the former act, that the notice required by law, of the meeting, had been given. The same is done in the form of certificate herewith presented ; but as the statute does not require this, the statement of it in the certificate would not be evidence of it. It is important, therefore, to preserve the notice which was read in time of morning service on the two Sundays next previous to the meeting, and of which a copy was posted, as above directed.

An affidavit should be endorsed on the notice that it was publicly read, and posted (as required by the statute), and be sworn to before a Judge of some court of record, or a Justice of the Peace, or some other officer authorized to administer oaths within the County in which the Church is situate.

A form of this affidavit is given, accompanying these instructions, marked B.

For greater precaution, it is recommended that this notice and affidavit be attached to, and form part of, the papers on which the Certificate of Incorporation is written. Also, that a copy of the notice, and *another* affidavit (a precise copy of the other), *also to be sworn to and certified* by the judge or officer (so as to be of itself an original and duly certified affidavit), be entered in the Book of Minutes. The party making the oath, and the judge or officer, will, in this case, sign the affidavit and the jurat *in the book, as well as that in the paper attached to the Certificate of Incorporation.*

III. PROCEEDINGS AT THE MEETING.

At the time and place appointed for the meeting, there must be present not less than six male persons of full age ; they must belong to the Church or congregation about to be incorporated, and must themselves not be already incorporated (*i. e.*, must not belong to any other incorporated Church or congregation). The presence of persons already incorporated, or belonging to other congregations, is not to be understood as prohibited ; but there must be (in addition to any who may thus belong to an existing incorporated Church) six male persons of full age belonging to the Church about to be incorporated, *who do not belong, at the time, to any other incorporated congregation.*

If there be a Rector of the Church or congregation about to be incorporated, *he must preside* at the meeting. But if there be no Rector, or if he be *necessarily* absent, then one of the Churchwardens or Vestrymen, or any other person *called to the chair*, shall preside at the meeting and receive the votes.

If there be a Rector, the meeting ought to be called with a reasonable certainty of his being able to attend, as the question of the *necessity* of his absence may lead to embarrassment and future difficulty.

But if there be *no* Rector, or, there being one, and he is “*necessarily* absent,” the persons present, entitled to vote, must call to the chair either one of the Churchwardens or a Vestryman, or some other person. If there be a Warden present, it is recommended to call him (but it is not *required* by the statute that a Warden or Vestryman be called in preference of some other person); if no Warden then call a Vestryman; if neither Warden or Vestryman, call some other person to preside.

It will be found convenient to appoint a Secretary of the meeting (although the statute does not require it), to record the proceedings of the meeting. He should also record the names of all the persons attending the meeting qualified to vote and act therein.

The meeting being properly convened and organized, is to proceed to the business for which it was called.

The persons entitled to vote must be—

- I. Male persons.
- II. Of full age.
- III. They must belong to the Church or congregation about to be incorporated.
- IV. And they must have been *either*—
 - (a.) Baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church;
 - (b.) Or been received therein either by the right of Confirmation, or by receiving the Holy Communion;
 - (c.) Or they must have purchased, and for not less than twelve months next prior to such meeting have owned, a pew or seat in the Church about to be incorporated;
 - (d.) Or they must, for not less than twelve months next prior to such meeting, have hired *and paid for* a pew or seat in such Church;
 - (e.) Or they must, *during the whole period of twelve months next prior to such meeting*, have been contributors in money to the support of the Church about to be incorporated.

It will be noticed that each voter must possess *four* qualifications—the first three being common to all—the fourth being divisible into five several conditions, either one of which will satisfy that qualification.

The persons thus qualified shall then, at such meeting, by a majority of votes, determine the following questions:

- I. By what name or title the Church or congregation about to be incorporated shall be known in law.
- II. On what day in Easter Week the annual election for Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall thereafter take place.
- III. What number of Vestrymen, *not less than four or more than eight*, shall annually be elected, and shall, together with the Rector (if there be one) and the two Churchwardens, constitute the Vestry of the Church.

This is a new feature in the incorporation of Churches: formerly the number of Vestrymen was fixed by the statute, in all cases, at eight. Under the present

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law, the congregation may, at its organization, fix the number at either four, five, six, seven or eight. There must, however, still, as formerly, be two Churchwardens.

IV. The meeting shall then, by a majority of votes, elect two Churchwardens and as many Vestrymen as it shall have been determined, under the last preceding head, are to be annually elected.

It is recommended that this election of the Wardens and Vestrymen be *by ballot*—possibly a different mode of voting may not be in contravention of the act ; but an election *by ballot* will be, beyond question, within the contemplation of the act.

The polls *must* continue open for one hour, and *may* be continued open longer, in the discretion of the presiding officer ; and *must* be continued open longer if required by the vote of a majority of the voters present.

Before the polls are closed two discreet persons, members of the congregation, should be called to assist the presiding officer in counting the votes, in order that they may join in the certificate. It is advisable that they be persons qualified to vote at the meeting—they may either be named by the presiding officer or be designated by the meeting.

An entry of the proceedings of the meeting, step by step, should be carefully made on the minutes ; and it is recommended that this entry be signed by the presiding officer, and by the two persons who are to join with him in signing the Certificate of Incorporation ; and be also attested by the Secretary. If this be done, and any accident happen to the certificate, or it should prove imperfect, a new certificate may be made without calling another meeting of the congregation.

After the polls are closed, and the proceedings of the meeting are completed, the presiding officer, together with two other persons (who should be of those present, and taking part in and cognizant of the proceedings of the meeting) must then make out a certificate under their hands and seals, setting forth—

I. The names of the Churchwardens and Vestrymen elected.

These names should be written out in full ; not by the mere initials of the Christian name.

II. The day in Easter Week fixed for the annual election of their successors.

III. The number of Vestrymen (not less than four nor more than eight) determined upon to be annually elected to constitute part of the Vestry.

IV. The name or title by which the Church or congregation shall be known in law.

A form for this certificate is suggested, and accompanies these instructions, marked D.

The seals to be attached to the certificate must be of wax, or wafer, or other material capable of receiving an impression, and constituting what is ordinarily known as a “ seal ” to deeds, &c., in this State ; not unfrequently use is made of the scroll, [L. s.,] which is not sufficient, and does not answer the legal requirement of “ a seal ” in this State.

The certificate thus made out, and signed and sealed, must be duly acknowledged by the parties signing and sealing the same, or the execution and acknowledgment thereof must be duly proven before some officer authorized to

take the acknowledgment or proof of deeds or conveyances of real estate, to be recorded in the County where the Church or place of worship is situate.

The proper United States internal revenue stamp must be affixed, which *at present* (May, 1868) is a five cent stamp.

Being thus signed, sealed, acknowledged or proven, and stamped, the certificate must be recorded by the Clerk of the County, *or* by the officer whose duty it is, or may hereafter be made, to record such instruments in the County in which the Church is situate.

In New York, Kings and Westchester Counties these certificates are to be recorded in the office of the *Register*; possibly a similar office may hereafter be created in other Counties; and it will be important in all cases to see whether the duty of recording such instruments has been transferred to any other officer than the County Clerk.

IV. REMARKS.

Canon IV. of this Diocese (as amended, November, 1867), requires that a Church or congregation, applying for admission into union with the Church in this Diocese, shall produce "a certificate of the Bishop, or, in case of his absence, or of his inability or disability to act, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, of the Standing Committee, that he or they approve of the incorporation of said Church, and that said Church, in his or their judgment, is duly and satisfactorily established."

Although the latter part of this certificate could not be given previous to the incorporation, it is advisable in all cases to be assured of the approval of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese before proceeding to incorporation.

In case the new Church is formed within the Parochial limits of any existing Parish or Cure, the consent of the Minister of the Parish or Cure within which the proposed new Church is to be established, or in his absence, the consent of the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the congregation, or a majority of them, is required by Clause I., Section VI., Canon XII., Title I., of the General Convention, to a Minister's officiating within said Parish, with a view to such incorporation. Such consent should, in all cases, be applied for. If it cannot be obtained, the establishment of new Churches or congregations within the limits of other Parishes is vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee—(Clause 2, Section II., Canon V., Title III., of the General Convention). If there be no Bishop, this power is in the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

It must be remembered that the corporation dates its existence *from the recording of the certificate*; and this must be an authenticated recording in accordance with laws. An instrument may be transcribed and copied into the books of the proper office, and yet not be legally recorded; the absence of a stamp, if the law makes one necessary to the recording, or a material defect in the certificate of acknowledgment or proof of execution, will prevent its being a legal recording.

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A.

FORM OF NOTICE OF A MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION.

Notice is hereby given, that a meeting of male persons, of full age, belonging to the Church or congregation in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, now worshipping in [*the School House of School District Number Three (3), in the Town of Canton, in the County of St. Lawrence, in the State of New York,*] who are not already incorporated, will be held at the usual place of worship of said Church or congregation, namely, at [*the School House of School District Number Three (3), in the Town of Canton, in the County of St. Lawrence, in the State of New York,* on [*Tuesday,*] the [*second*] day of [*June next,*] at [*eight*] o'clock in the [*after*] noon, for the purpose of incorporating themselves as a Religious Society, in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, under the acts of the Legislature of the State of New York.

Dated at [*Canton,*] the [*17th*] day of [*May,*] 186 [*8.*]

[*If there be a Rector, to be signed thus :*

John Doddridge,
Rector.]

[*If there be no Rector, but an officiating Minister, then to be signed thus :*

John Hobart, Officiating Minister.]

[*If there be neither Rector nor officiating Minister, then to be signed thus :*

Henry Stiles,
Belonging to said Church or Congregation, there being no Rector or
Officiating Minister thereof.]

NOTE.—This notice should be signed by the Rector, if there be one ; or, by the Officiating Minister, if there be no Rector. If there be neither Rector nor Officiating Minister, let it be signed by some discreet person *belonging to the Church or congregation*. The person signing it, should read it in the time of Morning Service, publicly, to the congregation, on the two Sundays next previous to the time of meeting, and should also post it as above directed.

B.

FORM OF AFFIDAVIT TO BE MADE OF THE READING AND POSTING OF THE NOTICE.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
County of [St. Lawrence,] } ss. :

[*John Doddridge,*] of the Town of [*Canton,*] County of [*St. Lawrence,*] and State of New York, being duly sworn, saith, that he* [*is the Rector of*] the Church or congregation in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, worshipping [*in the School House of School District Number Three (3), in the Town of Canton, in the County of St. Lawrence, and State of New York.*]

* If the party making the affidavit be not Rector, but Officiating Minister, he will so state. If he be neither Rector nor Officiating Minister, he will then say, "belongs to."

That this deponent did publicly read to the said congregation the preceding notice, in the time of Morning Service, on two Sundays next previous to the [second] day of [June,] one thousand eight hundred and [sixty-eight,] (which was the time named for the meeting mentioned in such notice,) to wit, on Sunday, the [seventeenth,] day of [May,] and on Sunday, the [twenty-fourth] day of [May,] in the year one thousand eight hundred and [sixty-eight.]

And this deponent further saith, that he also posted a copy of the said notice, in a conspicuous place on the outside door, near the main entrance of the said [School House,] being the usual place of worship of the said Church or congregation.

And further he saith not.

[John Doddridge.]

Sworn the day of (
 1868, before me,)

C.

FORM OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCORPORATING THE CHURCH.

County of [St. Lawrence,] {
 Town of [Canton.] }

On this [second] day of [June,] in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and [sixty-eight,] the male persons of full age belonging to the Church or congregation in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, now worshipping in [the School House of School District Number Three (3), in the Town of Canton, in the County of St. Lawrence, in the State of New York,] not already incorporated, met at their usual place of worship, namely, the [School House] aforesaid, at [eight] o'clock in the [after] noon, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the acts of the Legislature of the State of New York, pursuant to notice of such meeting, specifying its object, and the time and place thereof, which had been publicly read in the time of morning service, on two Sundays next previous thereto, by [*the Rev. John Doddridge, the Rector of] the said Church or congregation; and which notice had also been posted in a conspicuous place, on the outside door, near the main entrance to the said place of worship.

At such meeting the following male persons, belonging to the said Church or congregation, not already incorporated, were present:

[Here insert the names, giving the Christian names at length. There must not be less than six, qualified to vote as prescribed in the act.]

[† The Reverend John Doddridge, being the Rector of the Church or congregation, presided at the meeting.]

* (Or) the Rev. John Hobart, the Officiating Minister; (or) by Mr. Henry Stiles, who belongs to.

† If there be a Rector, who was necessarily absent, say "the Reverend John Doddridge, the Rector, being necessarily absent by reason of illness (or whatever may be the cause), Mr. A. B. was called to the chair and presided at the meeting."

If there be no Rector, then say "there being no Rector, Mr. A. B., one of the Churchwardens (or Vestrymen, as the fact may be), (or) Mr. C. D., was called to the chair and presided at the meeting."

The act does not, in terms, require that the person called to the chair to preside in case there be no Rector, or the Rector be necessarily absent, should be a Warden or Vestryman; but if there be one present, it is recommended to call him to the chair.

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Mr. E—— F—— was appointed Secretary of the meeting.

The notice of the meeting was then read, a copy of which notice is subjoined to these minutes, together with an affidavit made by [*the Reverend John Doddridge,*] that the same was publicly read in the time of morning service, on two Sundays now last past ; and that a copy thereof was also posted in a conspicuous place, on the outside door, near the main entrance to the place of worship of the said congregation.

It was then, on motion,

Resolved, That the persons thus convened and met do incorporate themselves as a Religious Society, or Church or congregation, in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, under the acts of the Legislature of the said State for that purpose.

And the persons so convened and met, and qualified as aforesaid, did, at such meeting, upon motion, by a majority of votes, determine as follows :

First.—That the said Church or congregation shall be known in law by the name of [*The Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of St. Mark's Church, in the Town of Canton, County of St. Lawrence, and State of New York.*]

Second.—That the annual election for Churchwardens and Vestrymen shall hereafter take place on [*Tuesday*] in Easter Week, in each year.

Third.—That [*six*] Vestrymen shall annually be elected, and shall, together with the Rector (when there is one) and the two Churchwardens, constitute the Vestry of the Church.

The meeting then proceeded to elect two Churchwardens and [*six*] Vestrymen. The presiding officer received the votes, and the polls continued open for one hour.

[*Thomas Jones and William Smith*] were named to assist the presiding officer in counting the votes.

The following named persons were, by a majority of votes, duly elected Churchwardens and Vestrymen, to serve until the next regular election, viz. :

G. H.,	}	<i>Were elected Churchwardens.</i>
I. K.,		

L. M.,	}	<i>Were elected Vestrymen.</i>
N. O.,		
P. R.,		
S. T.,		
U. V.		
W. X.,		

A certificate of Incorporation was then signed and sealed by [*the Reverend John Doddridge,*] the presiding officer, and by the said [*Thomas Jones and William Smith,*] and witnessed by [*Samuel Usher and Benjamin Clarkson.*]

The meeting then adjourned.

[*John Doddridge,*]
[*Thomas Jones,*]
[*William Smith.*]

Attested by
[*E—— F——,*] *Secretary.*

Diocese of Long Island.

(Copy the notice read and posted.)

[FORM A.]

(Copy the Affidavit of reading and posting the notice.)

[FORM B.]

D.

FORM OF A CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

To all whom these presents shall concern :

{ U. S. Internal } We, the undersigned, whose names and seals are affixed to this
 { Revenue } instrument, do hereby certify, that on the [second] day of [June,]
 { Stamp. } in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and [sixty-eight,] the male
 persons, of full age, belonging to the Church or congregation in communion with
 the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, worshipping in
 [the School House of School District Number Three (3), in the Town of Canton, in
 the County of St. Lawrence, in the State of New York,] not already incorporated,
 met at their usual place of worship aforesaid, for the purpose of incorporating
 themselves under the act of the Legislature of the State of New York, to pro-
 vide for the incorporation of religious societies, and the act to amend the same,
 in pursuance of notice duly given, specifying the object of the meeting, and the
 time and place thereof, which had been publicly read in the time of morning ser-
 vice, on two Sundays next previous to such meeting by* [the Rector,] and which
 was also posted in a conspicuous place on the outside door, near the main en-
 trance to the usual place of worship of the said congregation.

And we further certify, that at such meeting, not less than six male persons,
 of full age, belonging to the Church or congregation aforesaid, and not already
 incorporated, and duly qualified to vote at such meeting, met for the purpose
 aforesaid.

And we further certify, that† [the Rev. John Doddridge, the Rector of the said
 Church or congregation,] presided at the said meeting, and received the votes.

And we further certify, that at the said meeting the following persons were
 elected Churchwardens and Vestrymen by a majority of votes of the persons
 present at the said meeting qualified to vote, viz. :

G. H.,	}	<i>Were elected Churchwardens.</i>
J. K.,		
L. M.,	}	<i>Were elected Vestrymen.</i>
N. O.,		
P. R.,		
S. T.,		
U. V.,		
W. X.,		

* Or, by the Officiating minister ; or, by Samuel Richards, belonging to the said Church or congregation.

† Or, the Rev. John Doddridge, the Rector of the said Church or congregation, being necessarily absent by reason of illness, (or whatever may be the cause,) Mr. Theodore Styles was called to the chair ; and, or, there being no Rector, Mr. Henry Osborn, one of the Churchwardens ; (or, Vestrymen.) (or, Mr. Charles Livingston,) was called to the chair, and

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And we further certify, that by a majority of the votes of the persons present and qualified as aforesaid, [*Tuesday*] in Easter Week was fixed and determined for the annual election of the successors of the said Churchwardens and Vestrymen.

And that the number of Vestrymen determined upon to be annually elected to constitute part of the Vestry was [*six*.]

And that it was in like manner determined that the said Church or congregation shall be known in law by the name of [*The Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of St. Mark's Church, in the Town of Canton, County of St. Lawrence, and State of New York.*]

In testimony whereof, we, the said [*John Doddridge,*] who was the presiding officer at the said meeting, and [*Thomas Jones and William Smith,*] who were present, and witnessed the proceedings, and were selected and named to sign and seal this certificate, have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed our seals, the [*second*] day of [*June,*] in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and [*sixty-eight.*]

[*John Doddridge,*] [SEAL.]

[*Thomas Jones,*] [SEAL.]

[*William Smith.*] [SEAL.]

Signed and sealed in }
presence of }

[*Samuel Usher,*]

[*Benjamin Clarkson.*]

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT WHEN THE INSTRUMENT IS
ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE PARTIES WHO HAVE SIGNED AND SEALED IT BE-
FORE AN OFFICER TO WHOM *they are personally known.*

STATE OF NEW YORK,)
County of [*St. Lawrence,*]) ss. :

I certify, that on the [*third*] day of [*June,*] one thousand eight hundred and [*sixty-eight,*] before me, in the Town of *Canton*, in the County aforesaid, came [*John Doddridge, Thomas Jones and William Smith,*] severally known to me to be the individuals of those names respectively, described in, and who have executed the foregoing certificate, and they severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

[*Philip Sutherland,*
Justice of the Peace in the Town of Canton,
County of St. Lawrence.]

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT WHERE THE INSTRUMENT IS
ACKNOWLEDGED BY THE PARTIES WHO EXECUTED IT, BEFORE AN OFFICER
TO WHOM *they are NOT personally known.*

STATE OF NEW YORK,)
County of [*St. Lawrence,*]) ss. :

I certify, that on this [*third*] day of [*June,*] one thousand eight hundred and [*sixty eight,*] before me, in the Town of [*Canton,*] in the County aforesaid, came [*John Doddridge, Thomas Jones, William Smith and Silas W. Elderkin ;*] and the said [*Silas W. Elderkin*] being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, that he resides in the village of [*Canton,*] in the County aforesaid ; that he is personally acquainted with the said [*John Doddridge, Thomas Jones and William Smith,*] the persons now present before me, and that he knows them to be the

individuals of those names respectively, described in, and who have executed the foregoing certificate ; which is to me satisfactory evidence that they are the individuals described in, and who have executed the said certificate ; and thereupon the said [*John Doddridge, Thomas Jones and William Smith,*] severally acknowledged to me that they had executed the same.

[*Philip Sutherland,*
Justice of the Peace in the Town of Canton,
County of St. Lawrence.]

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF PROOF, WHERE THE EXECUTION OF THE INSTRUMENT IS PROVED BY A SUBSCRIBING WITNESS WHO *is personally known* TO THE OFFICER TAKING THE PROOF.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
County of [*St. Lawrence,*] } ss. :

I certify, that on this [*third*] day of [*June,*] one thousand eight hundred and [*sixty-eight,*] before me, in the Town of [*Canton,*] in the County aforesaid, came [*Samuel Usher,*] known to me to be the subscribing witness of that name to the foregoing certificate, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, that he resides in the Village of [*Canton,*] in the County aforesaid ; that he knows [*John Doddridge, Thomas Jones and William Smith,*] the persons described in and who executed the foregoing certificate ; that they severally executed the same, in his presence, and acknowledged to him that they executed the same, and that thereupon he subscribed his name as a witness thereto.

[*Philip Sutherland,*
Justice of the Peace in the Town of Canton,
County of [*St. Lawrence.*]

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF PROOF, WHERE THE EXECUTION OF THE INSTRUMENT IS PROVED BY A SUBSCRIBING WITNESS *who is NOT personally known* TO THE OFFICER TAKING THE PROOF.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
County of [*St. Lawrence,*] } ss. :

I certify, that on this [*third*] day of [*June,*] one thousand eight hundred and [*sixty-eight,*] before me, in the Town of [*Canton,*] in the County aforesaid, came [*Samuel Usher and Wright Fine ;*] and the said [*Wright Fine*] being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, that he resides in the Village of [*Canton,*] in the County aforesaid ; that he is personally acquainted with the said [*Samuel Usher.*] now present before me, and that he knows him to be the person of that name who is the subscribing witness to the foregoing certificate, which is to me satisfactory evidence that the said [*Samuel Usher*] is the same person who was a subscribing witness to the said instrument ; and the said [*Samuel Usher*] being by me duly sworn, did depose and say, he resides in the Village of [*Canton,*] in the County aforesaid ; that he knows [*John Doddridge, Thomas Jones and William Smith,*] the persons described in and who executed the foregoing certificate ; that they severally executed the same in his presence, and acknowledged to him that they executed the same, and that thereupon he subscribed his name as a witness thereto.

[*Philip Sutherland,*
Justice of the Peace in the Town of Canton,
County of St. Lawrence.]

II.

ADVICE AND INSTRUCTIONS TO CHURCHES APPLYING FOR ADMISSION INTO UNION WITH THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

Under Canon IV. (on the admission of Churches into union with the Church in this Diocese), as amended at the Convention held in November, 1867, it is necessary for a Church applying to be admitted—

I. That it be duly incorporated.

II. That there have been not less than twenty-five persons members of such Church or congregation, habitually attending Divine Service in such Church or congregation, for at least one year preceding the application to be admitted.

III. That it have a corporate seal.

In order to be admitted, the Church or congregation must (in sufficient time to allow the papers to be transmitted to, *and be received by* the Secretary of the Convention, at least thirty days before the meeting of the Convention) adopt a resolution, at a legally convened and held meeting of the Vestry, or (*in the case of Churches incorporated without Vestries*) of the congregation, authorizing the application for such admission to be made, and agreeing to abide by, and conform to, and observe all the Canons of the Church, and all the rules, orders and regulations of the Convention. A copy of this resolution must be duly certified by the presiding officer of the Vestry, or of the meeting of the congregation at which the resolution was adopted, and also by the Clerk of the Vestry, or Secretary of the meeting of the congregation, and must also be authenticated by the seal of the corporation.

In Churches having Vestries, this resolution should be adopted by the Vestry. In Churches incorporated without Vestries, it should be adopted by the congregation.

The following form of resolution is recommended :

Resolved, That [*here set forth the corporate name or title by which the Church is known in law, as the same is described in the Certificate of Incorporation,*] desire admission into union with the Church in the Diocese of New York, and do make application therefor to the Convention of the Church in this Diocese ; and do hereby agree to abide by, and conform to, and observe all the Canons of the Church, and all the rules, orders and regulations of the Convention.

The resolution must be entered accurately and at length on the minutes of the Vestry, or of the meeting of the congregation, as the case may be.

The Canon requires an application *in writing*, to the Convention, asking admission, which must then be made out. This may be signed by the Rector (if there be one), and by one or both of the Wardens, *and* by the Clerk of the Vestry ; or, in the case of Churches without Vestries, by the Minister, or by the presiding officer of the meeting at which the resolution was adopted, *and also* by the Clerk of such meeting. It may also be advisable to add the signatures of one or more of the Trustees of the Church.

The following form of application is recommended :

To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York :—

The Church or congregation duly incorporated and known in law by the name of [*here set forth the corporate name or title of the Church, as the same is described in the Certificate of Incorporation,*] in pursuance, and by authority of a resolution of the [*Vestry, or congregation, as the case may be*] of the said Church, hereby applies for admission into union with the Church in this Diocese ; and presents herewith a duly certified and authenticated copy of the resolution of the said [*Vestry, or congregation, as the case may be*] adopted on the _____ day of _____ 186____, authorizing such application, and agreeing to abide by, and conform to, and observe all the Canons of the Church, and all the rules, orders and regulations of the Convention. Also, the Certificate of Incorporation of the Church, (*or, in case the original certificate is not presented, then say, "a duly certified copy of the Certificate of the Incorporation of the Church,"*) which was duly recorded in the office of the (Clerk or Register, *as the case may be,*) of the _____ County of _____ on the _____ day of _____ 186____, in book _____ of Certificates of Religious Incorporations, (*or whatever may be the official designation of the books in which such certificates are recorded in the County in which such Church is located,*) page _____. Also, a certificate of the Bishop that he approves of the incorporation of such Church, and that such Church, in his judgment, is duly and satisfactorily established. And, also, evidence that not less than twenty-five persons, members of such Church, have habitually, for at least one year preceding the date of this application, attended Divine Service in such Church or congregation.

Dated at _____ in the County of _____ and
State of New York, this _____ day of _____ 186____.

By order of the [*Vestry or congregation, as the case may be.*]

A. B., *Rector.*
C. D., *Warden.*
E. F., *do.*
G. H., *Clerk.*

Or, in case of Churches having no Vestries :

A. B., *Minister.*
C. D., *Presiding officer of the Meeting of
the Congregation.*
E. F., *Secretary of the Meeting of the
Congregation.*
G. H., *A Trustee of the Church.*
K. L., *do. do.*

The Canon also requires that the application be accompanied by the following papers :

I. A duly certified and authenticated copy of the resolution of the Vestry or congregation authorizing the application, &c.

II. The original, or certified copy of the Certificate of Incorporation.

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III. The certificate of the Bishop's approval of the incorporation, and that, in his judgment, the Church is duly and satisfactorily established.

IV. The evidence that not less than twenty-five persons, members of such church, have habitually, for at least one year preceding the date of the application, attended Divine Service in the Church or congregation.

The following is recommended as a form for certifying the resolution of the Vestry or of the congregation :

At a meeting of the [*Vestry, or congregation, as the case may be*] of the Church or congregation known as [*here set forth the corporate name or title of the Church, the same is described in the Certificate of Incorporation,*] duly convened, and held according to law, at _____ on the _____ day of _____ 186____, the following resolution was adopted :

" Resolved, That [here copy, in the precise words, and at length, and accurately, the resolution as adopted and entered on the Minutes."]

Which is hereby certified by A. B., the Rector of the said Church, [*or if there be no Rector, then C. D., the Warden, who presided at the meeting of the Vestry, at which the resolution was adopted, there being no Rector of the said Church,*] and also by E. F., the Clerk of the Vestry, and is also authenticated by the seal of the corporation.

Dated at _____ in the County of _____ the _____ day of _____ 186____.

[SEAL] A. B., *Rector.*
[or] C. D., *Warden presiding.*
E. F., *Clerk of the Vestry.*

In the case of Churches having no Vestries, the certificate may be as follows :

Which is hereby certified by A. B., Minister of the Church, *or* C. D., the Presiding officer of the meeting of the congregation at which the resolution was adopted, and also by E. F., the Secretary of the said meeting, and is also authenticated by the seal of the corporation.

Dated, &c., (as above.)

[SEAL] A. B., *Minister.*
[or] C. D., *Presiding officer of the Meeting of the Congregation.*
E. F., *Secretary of the Meeting.*

The following is submitted (with the approval and authority of the Bishop) as a form for his certificate :

I do hereby certify, that I approve of the incorporation of a Church known as _____ *here set forth the corporate name or title of the Church, as the same is described in the Certificate of Incorporation,*] and that such Church, in my judgment, is duly and satisfactorily established.

Dated at _____ the _____ day of _____ in the _____ year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and _____

Bishop.

The following is recommended as a form for the presentation of the evidence of the number of persons habitually attending the Church :

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify and declare, that we are, and for one year last past have been, connected with, or been members of, and well acquainted with the affairs and condition of the Church or congregation known as [*here set forth the corporate name or title of the Church, as the same is described in the Certificate of Incorporation,*] and that we have had means of knowing, and do know, the number of persons habitually attending the said Church during one year past; and that not less than twenty-five persons, members of such Church, have habitually, for at least one year preceding this date, attended Divine Service in such Church or congregation.

Dated at _____ in the County of _____
the _____ day of _____ 188 .

This certificate should be signed by the Rector, or officiating Minister, if there be one, and by one or both of the Wardens, or by two or more of the Trustees (in the case of a Church incorporated without a Vestry), or by other known and reputable parties who can certify to the fact set forth.

The application, together with the requisite papers (as before set forth), must be transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention, at least thirty days before the meeting of the Convention.

The Canon (Section 2, Canon IV.) expressly declares, that no application for the admission of a Church into "union with the Church in this Diocese, shall be considered or acted upon at any meeting of the Convention, unless the same has been transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention at least thirty days before the meeting of the Convention."

FORMS OF PAPERS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE CONVENTION.— APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION, &c.

*To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of
New York :*

The Church or congregation, duly incorporated, and known in law by the name of _____
in pursuance, and by authority of a resolution of the _____
of the said Church, hereby applies for admission into Union with the Church in this Diocese, and presents herewith a duly certified and authenticated copy of the resolution of the said _____ adopted on the _____
day of _____ 18 , authorizing such application, and agreeing to abide by, and conform to and observe all the Canons of the Church, and all the rules, orders and regulations of the Convention.

Also, _____ the Certificate of Incorporation of the Church, which was duly recorded in the office of the _____ of the _____ County of _____ on the _____ day of _____ 18 in Book _____ page _____

Also, a certificate of the Bishop that he approves of the incorporation of such Church, and that such Church, in his judgment, is duly and satisfactorily established.

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And, also, evidence that not less than twenty-five persons, members of such Church, have habitually, for at least one year preceding the date of this application, attended Divine Service in such Church or congregation.

Dated at _____ in the County of _____
and State of New York, this _____ day of _____ 18____
By order of the _____

AUTHENTICATED COPY OF THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION, &C.

AT A MEETING of the _____ of the Church or
congregation known as _____
duly convened, and held according to law at _____
on the _____ day of _____ 18____, the following resolution
was adopted :

" *Resolved*, That

"
"

" desire admission into Union with the Church in the Diocese of New York, and
" do make application therefor to the Convention of the Church in this Diocese,
" and do hereby agree to abide by, and conform to, and observe all the Canons of
" the Church, and all the rules, orders and regulations of the Convention."

Which is hereby certified by _____
and by _____
and is also authenticated by the seal of the corporation.

Dated at _____ in the County of _____
the _____ day of _____ 18____.

CERTIFICATE OF THE BISHOP'S APPROVAL.

I do hereby certify that I approve of the incorporation of a Church known
as _____
and that such Church, in my judgment, is duly and satisfactorily established.

Dated at _____ the _____ day of _____
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and _____

Bishop.

EVIDENCE AS TO THE NUMBER OF PERSONS HABITUALLY ATTENDING THE CHURCH.

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify and declare, that we are, and for one
year last past have been, connected with, or been members of, and well ac-
quainted with the affairs and condition of the Church or congregation known
as _____ and
that we have had means of knowing, and do know, the number of persons habit-
ually attending the said Church during one year past, and that not less than
twenty-five persons, members of such Church, have habitually, for at least one
year preceding this date, attended Divine Service in such Church or congrega-
tion.

Dated at _____ in the County of _____
the _____ day of _____ 18____.

III.

STATE OF NEW YORK:
LAWS OF 1868.

CHAPTER 803.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ACTS TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES SO FAR AS THE SAME RELATE TO CHURCHES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH. PASSED MAY 9, 1868.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. The first section of the act entitled " An Act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies," passed April fifth, eighteen hundred and thirteen, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

1. It shall be lawful for not less than six male persons, of full age, belonging to any church or congregation in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, not already incorporated, to meet at any time at the usual place of public worship of such church or congregation, for the purpose of incorporating themselves under this act.

2. A notice of such meeting, specifying its object, and the time and place thereof, shall be publicly read in the time of morning service, on two Sundays next previous thereto, by the rector or officiating minister, or, if there be none, by any other person belonging to such church or congregation ; and shall also be posted in a conspicuous place on the outside door, near the main entrance to such place of worship.

3. The rector, or if there be none, or he be necessarily absent, then one of the churchwardens or vestrymen, or any other person called to the chair, shall preside at such meeting, and shall receive the votes.

4. The persons entitled to vote at such meeting shall be the male persons of full age belonging to the church or congregation, qualified as follows, and none other :

First.—Those who have been baptized in the Protestant Episcopal Church, or who have been received therein, either by the right of confirmation or by receiving the holy communion ; or,

Second.—Those who have purchased, and for not less than twelve months next prior to such meeting have owned, a pew or seat in such church ; or who, during the same period of time have hired and paid for a pew or seat in such church, or who, during the whole period aforesaid, have been contributors in money to the support of such church.

5. The persons so qualified shall, at such meeting, by a majority of votes determine :

First.—The name or title by which such church or congregation shall be known in law.

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Second.—On what day in Easter Week an annual election for churchwardens and vestrymen shall thereafter take place.

Third.—What number of vestrymen, not less than four or more than eight, shall annually be elected, and shall, together with the rector (if there be one), and the two churchwardens, constitute the vestry of the church.

Fourth.—And shall, by a majority of votes, elect two churchwardens and the number of vestrymen that it shall have been determined are to be annually elected ; which churchwardens and vestrymen thus elected shall serve until the next regular election.

6. The polls shall continue open for one hour, and longer, in the discretion of the presiding officer, or, if required by the vote of a majority of voters present.

7. The presiding officer, together with two other persons, shall make a certificate, under their hands and seals, of :

First.—The churchwardens and vestrymen so elected.

Second.—Of the day in Easter Week so fixed for the annual election of their successors.

Third.—Of the number of vestrymen (not less than four nor more than eight) so determined upon to be annually elected to constitute part of the vestry.

Fourth.—Of the name or title by which such church or congregation shall be known in law. Which certificate being duly acknowledged, or the execution and acknowledgment thereof being duly proven before any officer authorized to take the acknowledgment or proof of deeds or conveyances of real estate, to be recorded in the county where such church or place of worship of such congregation shall be situated, shall be recorded by the clerk of such county, or by the officer whose duty it is or may hereafter be made, to record such instruments in the county in which such church or place of worship may be situated, in a book to be by him kept for such purpose.

8. The churchwardens and vestrymen so elected, and their successors in office, of themselves (but if there be a rector, then together with the rector of such church or congregation) shall form a vestry, and shall be the trustees of such church or congregation ; and they and their successors shall thereupon by virtue of this act, be a body corporate, by the name or title expressed in such certificate.

9. The male persons qualified as aforesaid, provided they shall also have belonged to such church or congregation for twelve months immediately preceding, shall, in every year thereafter, on the day in Easter Week so fixed for that purpose, elect two churchwardens, and as many vestrymen (not less than four nor more than eight,) as shall have been legally determined to constitute part of the vestry.

10. Notice shall be given of such election by the rector, if there be one, or if there be none, or he be absent, by the officiating minister, or by a churchwarden, for two Sundays next previous to the day so fixed, in the time of divine service.

11. Whenever a vacancy in the board so constituted shall happen by death or otherwise, the vestry shall order a special election to supply such vacancy ; of which notice shall be given in the time of divine service, at least ten days previously thereto.

12. The notice of any election, stated or otherwise, shall specify the place, day, and hour of holding the same. The provisions contained in the preceding sixth clause shall apply to all elections.

13. An election to supply a vacancy, and also the stated annual election, shall be holden immediately after morning service; and at all such elections, the rector, or if there be none, or he be absent, one of the churchwardens selected for the purpose by a majority of the duly qualified voters present; or if no warden be present, a vestryman (selected in like manner) shall preside, and receive the votes of the electors, and be the returning officer; and shall enter the proceedings in the book of the minutes of the vestry, and sign his name thereto, and offer the same to as many electors present as he shall think fit, to be by them also signed and certified.

14. The churchwardens and vestrymen chosen at any of the said elections, shall hold their offices until the expiration of the year for which they shall be chosen, and until others are chosen in their stead; and shall have power to call and induct a rector to such church or congregation, as often as there shall be a vacancy therein, and to fix his salary or compensation.

15. No board, or meeting of such vestry shall be held, unless at least three days' notice thereof shall be given in writing, under the hand of the rector or of one of the churchwardens, except that for the first meeting after an election, twenty-four hours' notice shall be sufficient; and no such board shall be competent to transact any business unless the rector, if there be one, and at least one of the churchwardens, and a majority of the vestrymen be present. But if the rector be absent from the State, and shall have been so absent for over four calendar months, or if the meeting has been called by the rector, and he be absent therefrom, the board shall be competent to transact all business, if there be present one churchwarden, and a majority of the vestrymen; except that in the absence of the rector, no measure shall be taken for effecting a sale or disposition of the real property, nor may any sale or disposition of the capital or principal of the personal estate of such corporation be made, nor any act done which shall impair the rights of such rector.

16. The rector, if there be one, and if not, then the churchwarden present, or if both the churchwardens be present, then the churchwarden who shall be called to the chair by a majority of votes, shall preside at every meeting of the board, and have the casting vote.

17. Whenever any corporation, organized under the provisions of this act, shall deem it for the interest of such corporation to change the number of its vestrymen, it shall, and may be lawful for such corporation to change the same, provided that the number of such vestrymen shall not thereby be made less than four or more than eight. And in order to effect such change, the same shall be authorized and approved by the vestry at a regular meeting thereof; and shall then at the next stated annual election for wardens and vestrymen, be submitted to, and ratified by a majority of the votes of all the qualified voters, voting at such election; notice of which proposed change, and that the same will be submitted for ratification at such election shall be given at the same time, and in the same manner as is required for notice of the said election; if such change be thus ratified, a certificate shall be made setting forth the resolution of the vestry, and the proceedings to ratify the same, together with the fact of the notice being given as required, and shall be acknowledged, or proved and recorded in the same manner as is required for the original certificate of organization; and thereupon the number of vestrymen to constitute a part of the vestry of such corporation, shall be such as shall be fixed by the proceedings to effect

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such change. But such change shall not take effect or be operative until the certificate above mentioned shall have been duly recorded.

§ 2. The provisions of the ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth clauses of section one of this act shall apply to any church or corporation in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State heretofore incorporated under the act hereby amended, or under any of the acts amending the same, or under the several acts to provide for the incorporation of religious societies, passed April sixth, seventeen hundred and eighty-four; March twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and one, or the act for the relief of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, passed March seventeenth, seventeen hundred and ninety-five, or by any special charter made or granted before or after July fourth, seventeen hundred and seventy-six, whereof the vestry, at a regular meeting, shall by vote determine to adopt the same; and such vote shall, at the next ensuing stated annual election for wardens and vestrymen, be submitted to, and ratified by, a majority of the votes of all the qualified voters voting at such election, notice of such vote of the vestry, and of the proposed submission of the same for ratification, having been given at the same time and in the same manner as is required by the tenth clause of the first section of this act for notice of election. But such adoption shall not take effect, or be operative, until a certificate embodying a true copy of the resolution of the vestry, as entered upon their minutes, and the proceedings to ratify the same, together with the fact of the notice being given as required, shall have been acknowledged or proved, and shall be recorded, as is required by the foregoing seventh clause of section one, for the certificate of incorporation.

§ 3. The first section of the act passed March fifth, eighteen hundred and nineteen, entitled "An Act to amend the Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies,'" is hereby repealed.

§ 4. The third section of the act passed February fifteenth, eighteen hundred and twenty-six, entitled "An Act to amend an Act entitled 'An Act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies,'" passed April fifth, eighteen hundred and thirteen, shall not apply to any church or congregation in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State.

§ 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

APPENDIX V.

Rules of Order

OF THE

Convention of the Diocese of Long Island.

I. At the opening of each Annual Convention, after Morning Prayer, Sermon, and the administration of the Holy Communion, the PRESIDENT shall take the Chair; after which, the Order of Procedure shall be as follows:

1. The Secretary, under the direction of the Bishop, or, in case of his absence or inability to act, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, under the direction of the Standing Committee, shall call over the names of the Clergy entitled to seats.

2. He shall call over the Churches entitled to representation, when the Lay Delegates shall present their certificates; which certificates shall be examined by the Secretary and a Committee of two members appointed by the Presiding Officer. Irregular or defective certificates, and certificates and documents referring to contested seats, shall be temporarily laid aside. The names of the Lay Delegates, duly appointed, shall then be called; after which, the certificates and documents laid aside shall be reported to the Convention, which shall decide on the admission of the deputies named therein.

3. A constitutional quorum (fifteen Clergymen and fifteen Delegations) being present, the President shall declare the Convention organized for business, which shall proceed in the following order:

4. The election of a Secretary and Treasurer, the former of whom shall have power to nominate an Assistant Secretary.

5. The appointment of five Standing Committees by the President.

(1.) On the Incorporation and Admission of Churches, one Clergyman and two Laymen, reports from which Committee may be in order at any time during the session of the Convention.

(2.) On the Diocesan Fund, two Clergymen and two Laymen, with the Treasurer.

(3.) On the Treasurer's Report, three Laymen.

(4.) On the Theological Seminary, two Clergymen and three Laymen.

(5.) On Canons, at least two Clergymen and two Laymen.

6. The appointment of Inspectors of Elections; one Clergyman and one Layman for the Clerical Votes, and one Clergyman and one Layman for the Lay Votes—for the Standing Committee, the Deputies and the Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, the Deputies to the Federate Council and the Missionary Committee.

7. The receiving and referring, when necessary, of Reports, other than those of Special Committees, which may have been handed in to the Secretary.

8. Miscellaneous Business.

II. On the second day, the Order of Business, after Morning Prayer, shall be—

1. Reading and approving of the Minutes.

2. Receiving certificates of Lay Delegates not present before.

3. Calling over the names of members not present on the first day.

4. Admission of Parishes into union with the Convention.

5. Reception of the Clergy and Lay Delegates of the same.

6. Annual Address of the Bishop, unless he should prefer another time for its delivery. If so, it shall be at any time in order.

7. The election of the Standing Committee, the Deputies and the Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, the Deputies to the Federate Council and the Missionary Committee.

8. The appointment of the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and supplying vacancies, if any, in the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

9. Report of the Secretary, when any business has been committed to that officer.

10. Report of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese.

11. Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

12. Report of the Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

13. Report of the Standing Committee on the Treasurer's Report.

14. Report of the Standing Committee on the Theological Seminary.

15. Report of the Standing Committee on the Diocesan Fund.

16. Reports of Special Committees.

17. Miscellaneous Business.

III. On the third and any subsequent day, the Order of Business, after Morning Prayer, shall be—

1. Reading and approval of the Minutes.
2. Receiving the certificates of Lay Delegates not present before.
3. Calling the names of members not present before.
4. Reports not presented the preceding day, in order.
5. Miscellaneous Business.

IV. If the prescribed Order of Business on any day should not have been gone through with, the first business on the succeeding day shall be the matters which had not been reached and finished on the preceding day, and in the Order for that day prescribed : this rule shall not apply to miscellaneous business.

V. If the President *ex officio* is not present at the opening of the Convention, the Secretary shall call the Convention to order, when the senior Presbyter present, being entitled to a seat, shall take the chair ; and in such case, immediately after the organization of the Convention, a President shall be elected by ballot from among the Presbyters.

VI. Before the rising of the Convention, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

VII. The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Clergymen belonging in this Diocese, but not entitled to seats in this Convention ; Clergymen of other Dioceses, Professors and Students of Theology in the Protestant Episcopal Church, and all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

VIII. The hours of each day's session shall be from 10 A. M. to 2½ P. M., and from 3 P. M. to 5 P. M., and, when ordered by the Convention, from 7 to 10 P. M.

IX. The mode of conducting the stated Elections by ballot shall be as follows :

The Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Parishes entitled to vote, who, as called, are to present their several ballots for each office to be filled, to the appropriate inspectors, whose duty it shall be to take charge of the same, keeping a poll list of the votes, and as soon as practicable to canvass the same, and report the results thereof to the Convention. If, on any such report, it shall appear that no valid election

has been made in respect to all or any of the offices to be filled, the poll shall again be opened for the purpose of filling those which remain vacant ; and if, on such second attempt, the purpose shall not be accomplished, the balloting may be resumed at the discretion of the Convention.

X. No Motion shall be considered as before the Convention unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XI. When a Question is before the Convention, no Motion, except as hereinafter provided, shall be received, but to lay it on the table, to postpone it indefinitely, to postpone it to a certain time, to commit it, or to amend it ; which Motions shall have precedence in the order named. But a Motion to strike out the word " Resolved " shall have precedence of a Motion to amend, and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the Resolution.

XII. All Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are received. When a proposed Amendment is under consideration, a Motion to amend the same may be made ; no after Amendment to such second Amendment shall be in order.

XIII. A Motion to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

XIV. A Motion to adjourn shall always be in order, when no member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate. A Motion to fix the hour or day to which the Convention shall adjourn takes precedence of a Motion to adjourn, and shall be decided without debate.

XV. The Mover may withdraw a Motion or Resolution at any time before decision or amendment, in which case it shall not be entered upon the Minutes.

XVI. If a Question under debate contain several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately.

XVII. No member may speak more than twice on the same Question without leave of the Convention, nor more than once in any case until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

XVIII. Every member present shall vote whenever a Question is put, unless excused by the Convention on account

of his being personally interested in the result, or for other cause.

XIX. The Vote shall be taken by Ayes and Noes, and by Orders, whenever called for by five members.

XX. In taking the Vote by Orders, it shall be the right of any member of a Delegation who may dissent from the vote of the majority of the Delegation, to have the fact of his dissent recorded on the Minutes.

XXI. A Question being decided, shall not be reconsidered during the same Session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, nor without the Motion for that purpose being made by one of the majority on the first decision. No Question shall be reconsidered more than once.

XXII. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XXIII. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received, of course, without Motion for acceptance. They shall be entered on the Minutes, unless otherwise ordered. If recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the Convention, they shall be accompanied by a Resolution or Resolutions for its consideration.

XXIV. When a member is called to order by the President or another member, he shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain. All Questions of Order shall be determined in the first instance by the President; but any member may appeal from any decision of the Chair; and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without leave of the Convention.

XXV. All Questions relating to priority of Business shall be decided without debate.

XXVI. The prescribed Order of Business shall not be departed from, nor shall any Rule of Order be suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor shall any be changed or rescinded, without one day's previous notice of a Motion to that effect.

XXVII. The majority of a Quorum shall always be required to elect any Officer.

APPENDIX VI.

Officers of the Diocese.

THE CONVENTION.

Right Rev. ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN, D.D., *President*.
Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., *Secretary*.
Rev. EDMUND D. COOPER, *Acting Secretary*.
Rev. W. D'ORVILLE DOTY, *Assistant Secretary, pro tem*.
ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE.*

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D., *President*.
“ T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D., *Secretary*.
“ JOHN A. PADDOCK.
“ J. CARPENTER SMITH, D.D.
Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.
The Hon. JASPER W. GILBERT.
Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN.
Mr. WILLIAM J. COGSWELL.

THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Rev. D. V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.
“ CHARLES W. HOMER.
“ JOHN A. PADDOCK.
“ J. CARPENTER SMITH, D.D.
“ CALEB B. ELLSWORTH.
Mr. JOSEPH W. GREENE.
“ JOHN HALSEY.
“ ALEXANDER V. BLAKE.
“ WILLIAM MULLIGAN, *Treasurer*.
The Hon. WILLIAM H. LUDLOW, *Secretary*.

The Standing Committee meet statedly on the Mondays of the Ember Weeks, September 19th, December 12th, 1870, and February 27th, 1871. Papers requiring their action should be sent to the President previous to these dates.

THE DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D.
 “ BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D.
 “ SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D.
 Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.
 The Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.
 “ WILLIAM H. LUDLOW.
 “ DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

THE PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES.

The Rev. JOHN A. PADDOCK.
 “ JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.
 “ ROBERT T. PEARSON.
 “ SAMUEL COX, D.D.
 Mr. HENRY P. MORGAN.
 The Hon. NATHAN B. MORSE.
 Mr. HENRY HAGNER.
 “ WILLIAM NICOLL.

THE DEPUTIES TO THE FEDERATE COUNCIL.

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D.
 “ T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.
 “ ROBERT T. PEARSON.
 “ ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.
 “ THOMAS MALLABY.
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 Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.
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 Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN.
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 “ JESSE C. SMITH.
 “ WILLIAM H. LUDLOW.
 Mr. WILLIAM PFET.

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 “ JOHN D. JONES, *Treasurer*.
 “ PITT COOKE.
 The Hon. J. LAWRENCE SMITH.

THE TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM
CLERGYMEN.

The Right Rev. A. N. LITTLEJOHN, D.D.

“ Rev. N. H. SCHENCK, D.D.

Mr. JOHN A. KING.

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SEMINARY.

The Rev. THOMAS MALLABY.

“ SAMUEL M. HASKINS, D.D.

“ WILLIAM H. MOORE.

“ ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.

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“ BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D.

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THE ECCLESIASTICAL COURT.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.

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“ NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, D.D.

“ DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.

“ WILLIAM H. MOORE.

“ SAMUEL COX, D.D.,

“ ROBERT B. DUANE, D.D.

Lay Assessor.

The Hon. MURRAY HOFFMAN, LL.D.

Church Advocate.

Special Committees.

ON THE INCORPORATION AND ADMISSION OF
CHURCHES.

The Rev. DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.

Mr. JOHN J. MOORE.

“ THOMAS MESSENGER.

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND.

The Rev. JACOB W. DILLER, D.D.

“ D. R. BREWER.

Mr. AUGUSTUS E. MASTERS.

“ CHRISTIAN W. BOUCK.

“ ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

ON THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mr. SEYMOUR L. HUSTED.

“ WILLIAM NICOLL.

“ JONATHAN JANES.

ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.

“ THOMAS MALLABY.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

“ JOHN A. KING.

“ WILLIAM MULLIGAN.

ON CANONS.

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D.

“ ROBERT T. PEARSON.

“ EDWARD JESSUP.

The Hon. DAVID R. FLOYD JONES.

“ MURRAY HOFFMAN.

“ JOHN W. HUNTER.

ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Rev. CHARLES H. HALL, D.D.

“ BENJAMIN H. PADDOCK, D.D.

“ THOMAS G. VALPY.

Mr. CHARLES CONGDON.

“ WILLIAM H. FLEEMAN.

ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.

The Rev. T. STAFFORD DROWNE, D.D.

“ DANIEL V. M. JOHNSON, D.D.

“ WILLIAM H. MOORE.

Mr. ALEXANDER V. BLAKE, *Treasurer*.

“ WILLIAM B. LEONARD.

“ HENRY P. MORGAN.

“ CHARLES R. MARVIN.

ON THE APPORTIONMENT OF THE CHARITABLE OR
OTHER FUNDS OF THE LATE UNDIVIDED
DIOCESE OF NEW YORK.

The Rev. N. H. SCHENCK, D.D.

“ ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, D.D.

“ THOMAS MALLABY.

Mr. CHARLES R. MARVIN.

The Hon. JOHN W. HUNTER.

Mr. HENRY E. PIERREPONT.

APPENDIX VII.

Statistics of the Diocese,

From September 29th, 1869, to May 17th, 1870.

Clergy Canonically resident in the Diocese	94
Churches and Chapels	76
Ordinations : Deacons, 2 ; Priests, 3	5
Clergymen Received into the Diocese	10
" Transferred to other Dioceses	5
Candidates for Holy Orders	6
Lay Readers and Catechists Licensed	6
Corner Stones Laid	2
Parishes in Union with the Convention	61
Baptisms : Adults, 200 ; Infants, 882. Total	1,082
Confirmations	500
Communicants : Admitted, 610 ; Present Number	9,024
Marriages	256
Burials	531
Sunday School Teachers, or Catechists	1,462
Sunday School Scholars	11,509

OFFERINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS :

For Parochial Purposes	\$116,915 81
Diocesan "	39,286 10
General "	34,975 96
Not specified "	4,515 87

Total	\$195,693 74
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The foregoing items do not give a complete view of the Diocese since the last Convention, in all respects, as some Parishes have either failed to report, or have given only a few particulars.

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